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Fieldstad Criticizes Charles... Budget Passed By Council; \$50,000 Back To Schools

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

Agawam's Town Council last week approved a \$30.2 million fiscal budget for 1989, a nine percent increase over the current budget.

In total, \$135,924 was cut from the proposed 1988-89 budget before the council voted to approve the entire package in a 7-3 vote. Councilors Christopher Johnson, Jessie D. Fuller, and John Negrucci voted against the entire budget, while Councilor Frederick Nardi was absent.

Councilors voted to restore \$50,000 of the proposed \$95,000 cut from the School Department budget by Town Manager Reid S. Charles. The School Department's budget for fiscal 1988-89 is \$11,999,055. That figure includes \$7 million to cover teacher salaries.

A motion by School Budget Sub-Committee Chairman Christopher Johnson to restore the entire \$95,000 was defeated, prompting Council President Donald M. Rheault to propose that \$50,000 be restored to the school budget.

Rheault said he based his figure on a conference with School Department officials. Rheault managed to convince enough of his colleagues to go along with the \$50,000 that it passed on a 7-3 vote. Johnson, as well as budget subcommittee members Jessie D. Fuller and John Negrucci, voted against the \$50,000 because they wanted the entire Charles cut restored.

Mrs. Fuller announced her displeasure that the entire \$95,000 was not restored following the meeting, but School Superintendent James V. Bruno, Associate Superintendent Donald Charest, and School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin all said they were grateful for the council's action.

Several parents' groups contacted by *The AAN*, including PTO's, also expressed delight over the restoration of over half of Charles' proposed cut.

Town Councilor Paul Fieldstad, who voted against restoring the \$95,000 but did vote in favor of the \$50,000 figure, questioned why Charles made the cut in the first place. Charles would not defend or even comment on his cut at the budget session last Wednesday night, prompting Fieldstad to say, "He (Charles) must have had a reason for making those cuts. Why didn't he defend his own act?"

Councilors opted to cut \$75,000 from the Planning Department's budget which was earmarked for updating and further developing the town's master plan, and to review the town's zoning bylaws. That cut left that department with a \$70,870 budget for 1989.

Other cuts included trimming the Department of Weights and Measures budget request to \$64,183, thereby eliminating a \$24,639 deputy sealer's post.

Also cut from the Police Department's budget was a second captain's position which would have eliminated the only lieutenant's position in the department. The lieutenant's position, however, will remain.

The Highway Department's budget was clipped by \$87,480 as councilors eliminated from that request \$70,000 for a caterpillar loader; vehicle maintenance costs of \$7,680 and \$3,000 for vehicle parts and accessories, leaving the department \$1,069,070 for fiscal 1988-89.

Fieldstad voiced harsh concern over the nine percent overall increase in the town's budget, stating that the town cannot continue to absorb such increases "year after year without serious consequences down the road."

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Ferrarini Gets National UNICO Award



LONG-TIME AGAWAM UNICO MEMBER, Paul Ferrarini (right), has received UNICO National's "Joseph P. Cianci Humanitarian Award. This national award (only one given this year) is symbolic of the "greatest humanitarian in all of UNICO National for 1988. The town has proclaimed August 5th as "Paul Ferrarini Day" in Agawam. Ferrarini will receive his national award at UNICO's national convention at Hilton Head, North Carolina, August 5th. Presenting Ferrarini with a town proclamation declaring August 5th "Paul Ferrarini Day" is UNICO President Mike DeLucchi. Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.

Juniors' Craft Weekend Big Success



AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB MEMBERS, from left - Liz Taylor, Nancy Rictor, Pam Colson, and Ellen Janik were part of the club contingent that was helping out at the club's Annual Arts & Crafts Festival in Agawam Center on the weekend of June 4th and 5th. (MORE PICTURES INSIDE). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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"Sooner or later we'll run out of money to support these constant increases," Fieldstad said. "And every year we lose money because tax bills are mailed out late because our town computer, regardless of what the manager is telling us, is never working, thereby hindering the ability of certain town departments to do their jobs."

Fieldstad also criticized the preparation of the 1988-89 budget by Charles, noting that it was not until May 16th when the manager presented the council the entire budget message. "It was all rush-rush for over \$30 million. What kind of a way is that to run the town?"

He also noted that the total cuts by the council totaling \$135,000 are a "drop in the bucket" when considering the total budget.

Councilors voted to adopt the following budgets after last week's five-hour session. Health Department, \$1,240,483; Building Department, \$160,934; Forestry, \$37,000; Civil Defense, \$8,000; Sanitation, \$81,179; DPW, \$163,480; Water Department, \$1,364,708; Library, \$352,080; Parks and Recreation, \$166,822; Vehicle Maintenance, \$174,193; Solid Waste, \$599,730; Board of Appeals, \$26,963; and Dog Officer, \$26,963.

Also, Council on Aging, \$253,803; Data Processing, \$91,463; and Building Maintenance, \$1,936,009. The council's operating budget is \$50,280.

Representative Walsh To Hold Office Hours

Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) will be holding office hours for his constituents on Friday, June 17th, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

These hours will be held at the Agawam Senior Center at Meadowbrook Manor.

Residents Blast Safety Of Incinerator

by Christine Piesyk
Advertiser News Staff

"The wind blows, and it blows on my house," speaks Agawam businessman Paul Herzenberg, a River Road resident and one of some 100 people attending last Wednesday's Board of Health hearing on the soon-to-begin-operation Bondi's Island incinerator project in Agawam. The plant is owned by Fluor Vicon.

Herzenberg, whose business, Herzenberg Kitchens, as well as his home, are one of the closest to the waste disposal site, voiced concern about disposal of fly ash and bottom ash at that site, and about overall pollution control at the facility.

The \$36.6 facility has been heavily opposed by area environmental advocates and by many community groups and residents from Agawam and surrounding towns.

Though speak time at the public library was limited to five minutes per person, it was a loose five minutes that allowed individuals ample opportunity to make their point. A steady stream of speakers addressed Health Board members during the two-and-a-half-hour session.

River Road resident Donna Jago, a member of the Advocates for a Safe Environment, urged board members to prepare a public health study that would provide baseline data on health prior to the plant's opening, and which could be referred to as the effects of the plant are monitored in the future. Miss Jago has been a staunch opponent of the plant.

"We believe you would rather pay now than pay later with our health and your health," Miss Jago said.

Paul Martin, a spokesman for the Forest Park Civic Association of Springfield, who resides across the river from Bondi's Island, felt "the regulations (proposed by the Agawam Board of Health) were not sufficient." Springfield resident David Wiley was concerned that the facility "would pose a whole set of health hazards."

Environmental attorney Cindy Hill, representing the ASE, pointed out that with both state and federal laws

regarding waste disposal facilities now changing, it is difficult for individual communities to draft adequate regulations to monitor such facilities.

Speaking on behalf of ASE, Springfield resident Elaine Massari indicated three areas of concern about the plant, including separating household hazardous wastes, non-combustible materials (glass), and other wastes such as paper and plastics because these materials would decrease the incinerator's efficiency and could pose a health threat to the community.

Mrs. Massari opposed the disposal of fly and bottom ash at the site unless proper testing is done.

If the testing indicates toxic levels in excess of state and/or federal standards, it would require that the ash be disposed of in a hazardous waste disposal site instead of at Bondi's Island, she added.

Mrs. Massari also recommended that standards used by the Natural Resources Defense Council for plant procedure and pollution control be the standards used by Agawam as the basis for plant regulations.

Lynn Bowmaster, a Clean Water Action Project staff member, is concerned about the hazardous waste that could be generated by plant operations, pointing out that a similar facility in Rutland, Vermont, must transport fly ash from the incinerator to a hazardous waste site in upstate New York.

She added that when tested, fly ash from incinerators exceeds accepted levels for hazardous wastes such as lead and dioxin 95 percent of the time.

ASE spokespersons told Health Board members that "no risk assessment of ash has ever been made at Bondi's Island," and added, "the lead concentration in fly ash is astounding."

West Springfield resident Barbara Gaynor said, "There is no doubt of the toxic nature of the ash. There is no doubt of the growing awareness of this problem."

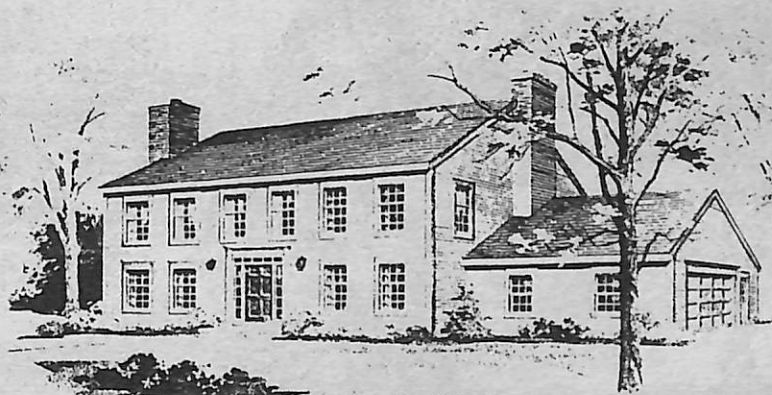
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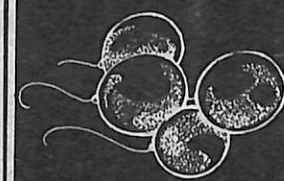
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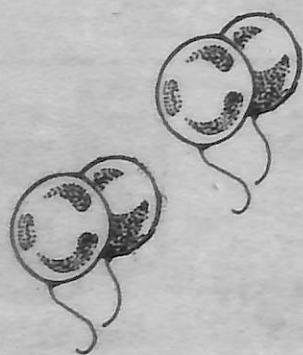
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Agawam Obituaries

Katherine S. Treadway

Katherine S. Treadway, 89, of Morrison, Illinois, a 45-year employee of an Agawam department store, died Friday, June 10th.

Born in Garden Plain, Illinois, she lived in Agawam most of her life before moving to Illinois in 1980. She was a member of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church and the First Presbyterian Church, Morrison.

She leaves several nieces and nephews. Her husband, Joseph W., died in 1978.

A graveside service was held in the Springfield Street Cemetery, Feeding Hills. Curran-Jones Funeral Home was in charge.

Joseph J. Archetti

Joseph J. Archetti, 85, of 886 Main Street, Agawam, a retired employee in the maintenance department of Peerless Tool & Machine Company, Enfield, died in Baystate Medical Center, Springfield.

Born in Naples, Italy, he lived in Stafford Springs, Connecticut, before moving to Agawam 13 years ago. He was a communicant of St. Anthony of Padua Church, Agawam.

He leaves his wife, the former Lucy Taffurelli; a brother, Ralph of Enfield, and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was at Toomey-O'Brien Funeral Home, West Springfield, and in the church with burial at the convenience of the family.

Elizabeth B. Crawford

Elizabeth B. Crawford, 98, of 585 North West Street, Feeding Hills, died in Heritage Hall Nursing Home.

Born in Lowell, she had lived in Feeding Hills since 1966. She was a member of the American Association of Retired Persons.

She leaves two friends, Ruby and Barbara Leggett, both of Feeding Hills.

There was a private funeral with burial in Edson Cemetery, Lowell. Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home was in charge.

Fred J. Lafleur

Fred J. Lafleur, 84, of 124 Main Street, Agawam, retired owner and operator of Lafleur Electrical Appliance, died in Mercy Hospital, Springfield. He retired in 1966.

Born in Bondsville, he had lived in Agawam before moving to Florida and returned to Agawam in 1981. He was a member of St. Theresa's Church, Tekoa Lodge of Odd Fellows in West Springfield, Mount Orthodox Lodge of Masons and West Springfield Men's Club, and was a past president of the Golden Agers Club of Springfield. He was a 32nd-degree Mason. His late wife, Rhea (Brisette) Lafleur, died in 1987.

He leaves a son, Fred J., Jr. of Brookline, and a sister, Hazel St. Pierre of Springfield.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones West Springfield Funeral Home and in the church with burial in St. Thomas Cemetery.

Agnes Toriani

Agnes (St. Germain) Toriani, 68, of 241 Meadow Street, Agawam, a retired 15-year head clerk and manager of the boys' department at Steiger's department store, died Sunday, June 12th, in Baystate Medical Center. She retired in 1980.

Born in Springfield, she had lived in Agawam since 1926. She was a member of St. John the Evangelist Church, Golden Age Club, Agawam Senior Center, and Italian Sporting Club.

She leaves her husband, Robert B.; a son, Robert B. Jr. of Agawam; a daughter, Bette Polumbo of Keene, New Hampshire; a sister, Bonnie Anne Violette of Agawam; a brother, Arthur St. Germain of West Springfield; a grandson and two granddaughters.

The funeral was at Curran-Jones Agawam Funeral Home and in the church with burial at St. Thomas Cemetery, West Springfield. Memorial contributions may be made to the Western Massachusetts Lung Association, 393 Maple Street, Springfield, MA, 01105.

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But be careful! Hold a smoking cigar or cigarette several inches below the detector and let the smoke rise into the openings. Hold a candle several inches below the detector for a few seconds, gently blowing smoke into the chamber. Then blow out the candle and let the smoke rise into the detector. As soon as the alarm sounds, fan the smoke away with a newspaper or magazine.

Vacuum accumulated dust out of the detector using a vacuum cleaner's hose attachment monthly or when you've been doing dusty work around the house.

If your detector is battery-operated, change the batteries at least once a year. Most detectors make a chirping sound when the battery gets low, but don't wait for that to happen. Keep fresh batteries on hand all the time and set a time that's easy for you to remember to change the batteries, perhaps your birthday or anniversary.

If your smoke detectors are wired into your home, have battery-operated ones as backup in case the electricity goes out.

You should have at least one smoke detector in your home, protecting the bedroom area. Others should shield your family from pathways to the basement, garage, and attic.

Most fatal fires happen at night, so the detector must be able to "smell" the fire while you sleep and warn you right away so you can escape safely.

In fact, every household should have and practice a home fire escape plan that includes at least two ways out of each room.

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The Agawam Advertiser News

Meet Your Agawam Police...

Sergeant William Sliech

by Officer Wayne Macey

Crime Prevention Bureau

Sgt. William Sliech is a lifelong resident of Agawam. He was born and raised in a large house on South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills.

A 1966 graduate of Agawam High School, Bill served on active duty with the U.S. Navy from 1967-1969. In December 1969 he was appointed permanent patrolman with the Police Department and was assigned to the "Dogwatch" Uniform Division.

Bill attended Springfield Technical Community College where he earned his associate's degree in Criminal Justice in June 1974.

During his career with the department, Bill has worked under three chiefs: Kenneth Grady, Romeo Borgatti, and presently for Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski. He has worked all three shifts and in all areas, including a lengthy stay with the Detective Bureau in the early 1980's.

In 1987, Bill was appointed permanent sergeant after successfully completing a Civil Service exam for that position. He was then made records sergeant in January (1988) where his duties are at present.

Bill will be celebrating his 20th year with the Police Department in 1989. During his time, he has received many commendations and has been asked to speak to several groups both in and out of town regarding the Police Department. His most recent talk was to the juniors and seniors at the high school on Career Day.

Bill resides in the Feeding Hills section of town with his wife, Karen (Shaw), and their four year-old son, Kevin.

His contributions to the department include experience gained from 20 years on the job, a calm and sensible approach to police work and all it involves, and a comfortable relationship with many of our townspeople, earning him the respect and admiration for which he works so hard.



SERGEANT WILLIAM SLIECH

Many of my best and most productive times were spent as Bill's partner on the Detective Bureau. I learned much from him and in the process, a great friendship developed. Billy's always there and always willing to help, and as a result, his future with the department looks bright.

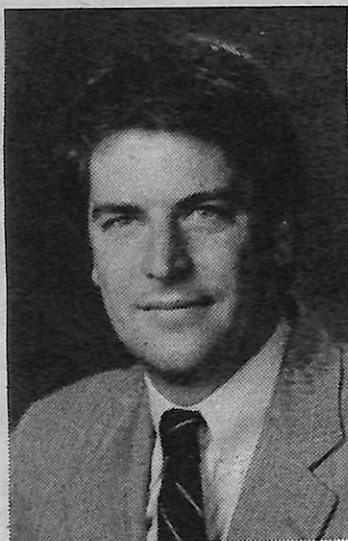
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Agawam Crime Prevention... Summer Fun Also Means Summer Crime

by Officer Wayne Macey
Crime Prevention Bureau

Summer has arrived and for most, thoughts turn to vacations, picnics, and many other outdoor activities. Unfortunately, with the celebration of the season comes an increase in crime.

In order to keep the summer safe and secure, we must remain alert to the potential for risk. So let us temper our celebration with thoughts of, once again, how we can prevent ourselves from becoming victims. The following are suggestions and means by which we can protect our homes and property.

Gas grills are most popular during this time of the year. Their marketability and numbers make them a target for thieves. They can be easily secured with a chain and lock. Try to place them in an area where they can be accounted for each day. Many people who report them missing cannot give the police an accurate time of theft because they do not watch them between periods of use.

The best protection would be to store them inside the garage or a shed, however, propane tanks should be left outside. **Lawn furniture, mowing equipment, ladders, and tools** should be stored away after each use. When leaving for vacation, make sure to **stop deliveries of newspapers** and have someone **pick-up your mail** daily. Notify police and a trusted neighbor of your planned absence and the length of time you will be away. Do not discuss your plans in public, and don't notify the newspapers of your plans.

Leave shades and blinds open, and use a clock timer to turn lights on and off at appropriate times. If possible,

have a relative or neighbor enter your home and check it as often as possible. They can also change the lights on the timer. Leave emergency numbers where you can be reached should it become necessary. Keep valuables out of sight of windows, and place money, jewelry, and other valuables in a safe deposit box.

Arrange to have the lawn mowed, or driveway and walks shoveled should your vacation be of a longer duration. If possible, keep a car locked in the driveway.

The last person out before leaving should check all around the house to make sure **doors and windows are secure**. Turn down the ringer on the telephone so as to keep someone outside from hearing the sound of an unanswered call. The key to all these preparations is to make the house appear occupied during your absence.

Upon your return, should you suspect someone has entered your home, do not attempt to investigate. Go immediately to the nearest phone and contact the police. Don't touch anything in or around the house because evidence can easily be erased or destroyed.

Do not, I repeat, do not attempt to confront a burglar in or around your home. It has been done in the past and the homeowners involved have been hurt. If possible (from a distance) get any description of suspect and vehicles involved, and get that information as quickly as possible to the police.

Keeping the above thoughts and suggestions in mind, it is our wish that your vacation be enjoyable, and your summer, an overall pleasant experience.

Threat Of Rabies Always A Major Concern

by Bob Burke
Agawam Animal Control Officer

On June 8th, I participated in a Rabies Prevention Clinic at the Massachusetts Department of Public Health Building in Jamaica Plain. The reason for this clinic was to prepare us for the possibility of rabies entering the State of Massachusetts. For the most part, Massachusetts has been virtually free of rabies for many years, and the last case of a human contracting rabies was in 1934 in Waltham.

Because of this low incident rate, the public has gotten lax about vaccinating their pets. The Commonwealth's General Laws, Chapter 140, requires that **all dogs be licensed and vaccinated for rabies**. What the law **does not require, and should, is that cats** also should be vaccinated. Cats have been infected with rabies at three times the rate as dogs.

One of the reasons for this higher rate among cats is that only 4 percent of the cat population has been vaccinated as opposed to 60 percent of the dog population. Another reason is the leash law on dogs; cats can roam around and dogs cannot. This makes it even more important that cats should be vaccinated for rabies.

Our pets are the main link between humans and the area's wildlife population. If you allow your pet to roam the area without being vaccinated for rabies, and should our wildlife become infected with the rabies virus, as it has in other areas of the country, then we

may start seeing humans infected.

This is pretty frightening considering that there have only been **two human survivors** of rabies in its entire recorded history.

A statistic that I'm sure most of us are not aware of is that 15,000 people die annually from rabies throughout the world. Fortunately, because of our laws on vaccinating our pets, the last known case of rabies in the U.S.A. was in 1987 in San Francisco, California.

New England's wildlife has generally been free of rabies. However, in the early 1980's, a rabies epidemic broke out in the Washington, D.C. area due to the importing of raccoons from another part of the country. This epidemic spread through Maryland and Pennsylvania and now there have been some cases reported in New York State.

This disease knows no boundaries so it would be a very good idea to have your pets vaccinated as soon as possible to prevent any harm from coming to them and to ourselves.

I don't want to create any hysteria or overreaction to this problem. All I'm trying to tell you is to vaccinate your cats and dogs and prevent them from roaming around where they can interact with the wildlife.

There were eight animal complaints for the week ending Sunday, June 12th.

Police Arrest 12; Take 411 Calls Last Week

Crime Prevention Officer Wayne Macey today released crime statistics for week ending Sunday, June 12th. Police arrested 12 and responded to 411 calls.

Crime stats include five assault and battery, three breaking and entering, 20 larcenies, 15 malicious damage, 49 nuisance persons, 72 suspicious activity, 33 alarms (all false), 22 property damage, four injuries due to accidents, three Fire Department assists, 18 ambulance assists, and 15 citizen assists.

Also, eight disturbances, 13 disabled motor vehicles, three missing persons (one returned), 15 civil disturbances, 12 found property, 24 traffic complaints, 10 motor vehicle tows, eight insecure buildings, and 47 miscellaneous calls.

On June 6th, **Georgette M. Batties**, 536 North Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officer was Sergeant Donald Lonco.

On June 6th, **Miguel A. Gonzalez**, 170 Massasoit Street, Springfield, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Steven Sliech and Eric Lottemoser.

On June 6th, **Christopher Tweed**, Russell, Massachusetts, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officers were Detective Joseph Dymon, Richard Light, Jr., and Mark Pfau.

On June 6th, **Nicholas Champagne**, 105 Fordham Avenue, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with being a minor in possession of alcohol. Arresting officers were Detective Joseph Dymon, Richard Light, Jr., and Mark Pfau.

On June 7th, **Angel Betancourt**, 1073 East Columbus Avenue, Springfield, was arrested and charged with motor vehicle violations. Arresting officer was Richard Conlon.

On June 8th, **Isiah Bynes**, 575 Concord Street, Lawrence, Massachusetts, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Detective Joseph Dymon and Detective Richard Niles.

On June 9th, **David Cross**, 23 Ruth Avenue, Agawam, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and driving after suspension. Arresting officers were Richard Light, Jr. and Keith Bopko.

On June 10th, **Michael Waterman**, 97 Walnut Street, Agawam, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and possession of a Class D substance. Arresting officers were Michael Gruska and Brian Connor.

On June 11th, **James O. Bodge**, 235 North Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with an outstanding Agawam Police Department warrant. Arresting officers were Robert Marsh and Eric Lottemoser.

On June 11th, **Luis E. Hernandez**, 5 Adams Street, Holyoke, was arrested and charged with trespassing and assault and battery. Arresting officer was Walter Zymroz.

On June 12th, **Richard J. Sonsini**, 99 Paulson Drive, West Springfield, was arrested and charged with operating after suspension and operating an unregistered motor vehicle. Arresting officers were Robert Landers and James Luccardi.

On June 12th, **Lyli E. Stacy**, 83 Valleybrook Road, Feeding Hills, was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol. Arresting officers were Sergeant Gary Nardi, Richard Light, Jr., and Michael Gruska.

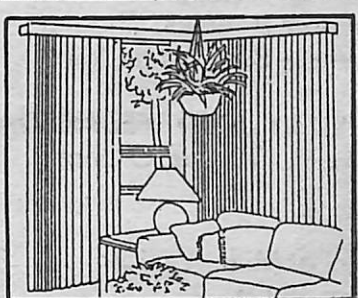
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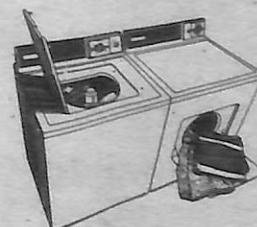
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Tips For Saving Energy During Searing Heat

Summer means vacation season for many residents of southern New England, but hot weather also brings heavy demands for electricity.

Electric customers on the Northeast Utilities (NU) system can undertake measures now to reduce both their use of electricity and their bills, said Leon E. Maglathlin, NU senior vice president for Customer Service.

"Efficient use of refrigerators, freezers, and air conditioners is the cornerstone in conserving electricity during the summer," Maglathlin said. "Customers can take steps now that will reduce their electric bills and help us meet high demand during the summer."

Those steps include:

— **Cleaning dirty refrigerator coils.** By cleaning the coils every three months, residential customers can save around \$5.50 annually, or 10 percent on the cost of operating their refrigerators.

— **Replacing clogged air conditioner filters** and cleaning the vents. Vents should not be blocked by shrubs.

— **Removing frost build-up** on refrigerators and freezers.

— **Checking the magnetic or mechanical seals** on refrigerator and freezer doors for leaks. Leaking seals should be replaced.

— **Checking the energy efficiency ratings** before purchasing new air conditioners, refrigerators, and freezers. Energy efficient appliances may cost slightly more money, but will save many times the extra cost over their lifetime.

— **Using awnings, blinds, or drapes** to reduce the amount of sunlight entering the home.

— **Using clothes dryers and irons** at night when it's cooler, and using clothes lines whenever possible.

— **Covering pans when cooking and using exhaust fans** in kitchens and bathrooms to remove humidity from the home. Humidity causes air conditioners to work harder.

Maglathlin noted that New England electric supplies are expected to be somewhat better this summer than last, when the region's utilities were forced to reduce voltage three times to stretch out available generation. On August 17th, 1987, New Englanders' electric use peaked at 18,058 megawatts, an all-time summer record. Without the voltage reduction and other steps initiated by utilities, demand would have reached approximately 18,800 megawatts. * Utilities expect New England peak demand to reach that level—18,000 megawatts—this summer.

"This increasing demand underscores the need for conservation. We encourage our residential, commercial, and industrial customers to contact us about the new conservation programs we have introduced to help them save money in their homes and businesses, new and old," Maglathlin said.

Through its operating subsidiaries, NU serves approximately 1,030,000 electric customers in Connecticut and 185,000 in Massachusetts.

* **One megawatt equals one million watts and can serve the summer energy needs of about 800 homes.**

MSPCC Summer Safety Notes For Your Kids

With so many youngsters playing on the streets, beaches, and playgrounds, the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (MSPCC) urges all adults to be alert to common sense safety rules.

* **Role-play the "Stranger Danger" advice.** It's not enough to say "Don't go in strangers' cars." Instead, act out a potential situation so the child knows **exactly** what to do if approached.

* **Teach young children their telephone numbers and address.** If possible, (for older children) teach them one or both parents' workplace and telephone number.

* **Don't label hats or t-shirts with child's name.** Molesters may call them by name, pretending to be a family friend.

* **Long car rides to vacation and recreation spots** can strain families. Cranky children need extra patience.

* **Check day care, camp, or babysitter's credentials carefully.** Ask for references.

* **Never leave a child under seven alone or unattended** anywhere at any time.

* **Teach young children to hold another's hand** (preferably an adult in public places—zoos, museums, theme parks, hotel lobbies). The "buddy system" works on land as well as water.

* **Never leave a non-swimmer unattended near water.**

* **Attend pools and beaches that have lifeguards.**

* **Try not to over stimulate youngsters.** Routines are often changed during vacation. Unfamiliar situations and places cause high stress—for both child and parent!

* **Never leave a child alone in a closed parked car.** They are in danger of suffocation. An open car invites abduction.

* **Protect children from sunburn.** A day building castles at water's edge can lead to nights of pain.

* **A hat at the beach can prevent sunburn, eye glare, and heat exhaustion.**

* **If reaction to a child's insect bite seems unusual,** seek medical attention immediately.

The Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, as its name indicates, aims to **prevent** occurrences that may cause abuse or neglect.

Established in 1878, the MSPCC is the only statewide private protective child welfare agency in the country.

Perry Lane Park Pool Opening For Season On June 18th

PERRY LANE PARK

Perry Lane Park is open to all residents year round (no fee). The fee and charges will only be for pool use and special rates for large picnic groups using the pavilion. All facilities such as the tennis courts, horse shoe pits, etc., are open to the public but can be reserved for clubs or groups who wish to reserve by calling the recreation office.

PERRY LANE PARK POOL

The pool will open for the season Saturday, June 18th, through Labor Day, Monday, September 5th. Hours for the general public and pool pass members will be 12:00 noon to 8:00 p.m. Exceptions may be made for special group events or exceptionally hot weather. **Free entry** to the pool for all Agawam residents will be offered June 18th and 19th.

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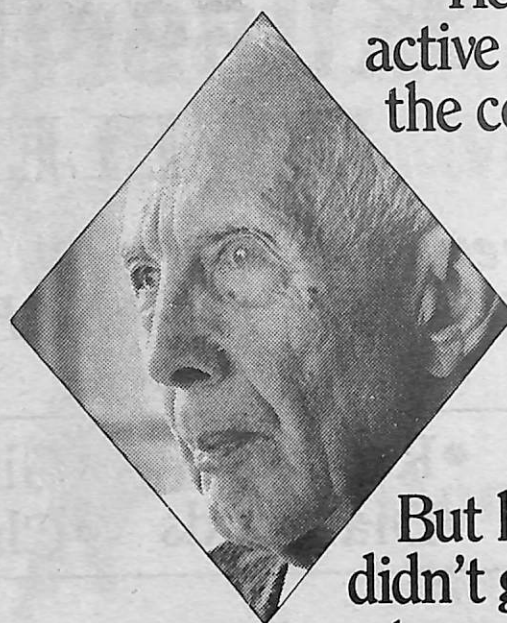
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Families



THE NEWEST TRIPLETS IN AGAWAM - Andrew, Elizabeth, and Gregory Bannis of 52 Ley Street.

Bannish Triplets Prove Friday The 13th Not Always Unlucky Day

Friday, May 13th, proved to be anything but unlucky for Jim & Nancy (Walsh) Bannish of 52 Ley Street, Agawam.

Triplets Elizabeth, Gregory, and Andrew carefully chose that spring morning to present themselves to our world and especially to two most anxious families.

Elizabeth was first to arrive, weighing in at 5 pounds, 1 ounce, closely followed by brother Gregory, who

weighed 5 pounds, ½ ounce. Baby Andrew, at 5 pounds, 3½ ounces was the last born.

All three babies are happy and healthy, and have noisily settled in at home with gusto. Last reports, however, have indicated that the "gusto" appears to be showing up in small circles under mom's and dad's eyes.

Proud paternal grandparents are Henry & Jean Ban-

La Leche League Offers Advice To Moms On Breastfeeding

Where should a new mother go for advice about breastfeeding? According to a recent survey, many doctors, childbirth educators and nurses recommend that mothers turn to La Leche League.

The survey, conducted by an independent research firm and sponsored by Proctor and Gamble, revealed that nearly all the physicians who participated in the survey were highly in favor of breastfeeding. Most recommended that mothers nurse their babies for at least 19 weeks. Forty-two percent of the pediatricians included in the sample suggested that mothers breastfeed their babies "as long as possible."

If you are considering breastfeeding, the best time to become informed is before the birth of your baby. The first of a series of four meetings will be held Monday, June 20th, at 8:00 p.m., at Grace Lutheran Church, 1552 Westfield Street, West Springfield. Advantages of Breastfeeding will be the topic discussed.

The league offers mother-to-mother help in a series of four monthly meetings based on the manual *The Womanly Art Of Breastfeeding*. The meeting discussions include the latest medical research, as well as personal experience. Other services include a lending library of books on childbirth, child care, and breastfeeding. For further information, call Pat, 737-9993, or Jeanne, 739-7923.

Best Local News...

nish of Little River Road, Westfield. Bill & Rosalie Walsh of Maple Street, Agawam, are the maternal grandparents. Little Elizabeth, Greg, and Andrew are fortunate enough to frolic and grow within two families who boast aunts, uncles, and cousins too numerous to mention.

Jim & Nancy wish to thank the many townspeople who were kind enough to send their congratulations and good wishes.



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AGAWAM ROTARIANS Donald Morris (right) and Raymond Pieczarka welcome Agawam High American Field Service students Diana Salce from the Dominican Republic (left) and Linda Thompson of Scotland (center). Both young women received diplomas as AHS seniors last Friday at Symphony Hall. Also in photo is Sandy Bryant, Family Selection Committee chairwoman of the Agawam Community Chapter of AFS. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SCHOOL COMMITTEE CHAIRWOMAN
Rosemary Sandlin has become the first woman member of the Agawam Rotary Club. Mrs. Sandlin is being congratulated by member Donald Morris. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Terry Goudreau Completes Summer Realtors Course II

Terry Goudreau of Agawam, associated with Bergeron & Mellis Inc., Realtors, has successfully completed Course II of the 1988 Summer Realtors Institute of Massachusetts held recently at the Sheraton Tara-Monarch Place, Springfield, according to Massachusetts Association of Realtors President, David M. Peretti, GRI, CRB.

The Association sponsors institutes throughout the year for realtors and realtor-associates as part of its continuing education program. Upon completion of

three 30-hour courses, institute participants receive the nationally recognized designation GRI (Graduate, Realtors Institute).

Of over 82,000 GRI's nationwide, there are over 2,500 in Massachusetts. The institute includes such subjects as residential construction and design, listings, pricing property, marketing, law, finance, ethics, management, advertising, calculator, and governmental affairs. Some 200 persons attended the institute.

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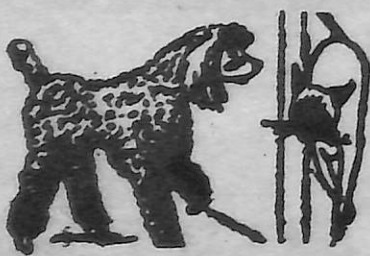


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Agawam Junior Women's Club's Annual (see next page)...



SELLING CRAFTS AT THE Agawam Junior Women's Weekend Crafts Fair June 4th and 5th are, from left - Joyce Porth, Dick Rovatti, Rose Mezzetti, and Rudi Porth. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CRAFTER KAREN PATINO was one of the many artisans delighted by the large turnout to the Junior Women's Club's Craft Fair.



HAZEL MALLORY and MARILYN JORDAN look over this nice display of handmade animals and clowns at the Weekend Crafts Fair sponsored by the Agawam Junior Women's Club. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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12:30 p.m.

Wednesday & Thursday, June 22-23
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...Weekend Crafts Fair Proves Big Success (see next page)...



WREATHS WERE THE SPECIALTY of Marie Austin and Denise Snyder at the Junior Women's Club's Weekend Craft Fair, June 4th and June 5th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SELLING DECORATIVE FLAGS at the Junior Women's Club's Weekend Craft Fair in Agawam Center were Christine Demettrion and Ann Marie Samble. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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MEADOWBROOK ROAD RESIDENT Ann Jackobek and her daughter, Allison, browse through several craft tables at the Junior Women's Club's Weekend Craft Fair, June 4th and 5th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ULYSES and RICHARD SAUDREA were quite proud of their wooden toys on display at the Agawam Junior Women's Club's Weekend Craft Fair. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Strange "Hauntings" In Recent Agawam...

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PART ONE

The Woman With A Crying Child

Our first story took place about a year ago this spring. One day we received a phone call from a young woman who lived in a two-tenant house in town. She was quite anxious to know if we had any knowledge concerning the past history of her residence. The reason for her inquiry was based on recent circumstances beyond her comprehension, yet most terrifying.

In her call, the young woman claimed that day and night she heard the constant crying of a baby in the apartment. Our first inclination was to suggest that she was probably hearing a neighbor's infant. Sound does have a way of being most deceptive at times. The concerned woman agreed with one exception—her neighbors did not have any young children.

Shortly thereafter, we received another call from the woman in which she excitedly exclaimed that on several occasions she had experienced the vision of a woman sitting at the kitchen table, only to suddenly disappear from sight as the young mother made an approach to that area.

On still another occasion, she experienced the same apparition in the baby's room, sitting in a rocking chair. Again, the apparition soon disappeared from sight.

During the interim between phone calls we tried to keep an open mind concerning these revelations, hoping that the young woman in question was doing the same. When we were contacted by this party, we were convinced that she should contact the internationally acclaimed authorities, Ed and Lorraine Warren, whom we had met and who lived in nearby Connecticut.

We did so only on the assumption that the young mother had apparently reached a breaking point in her frustration. At that time she informed us that on one occasion as she carried her baby into the room to place

her into the crib, she was aghast at finding the apparition of another child in the crib! With that, the apparition suddenly disappeared, leaving the young woman terrified.

At this point in the story we decided to contact Ed & Lorraine Warren ourselves. Unfortunately, the Warrens were on their yearly visit to Great Britain. Meanwhile, we intensified our efforts to find out as much about the residence as possible.

Fortunately, we were able to discover from a friend who had lived her early years close to the house in question. At no time had she ever known anything unusual as ever taking place in that particular residence. Certainly, nothing to do with infants or crime. As a matter of fact, she knew the house quite well and was acquainted with schoolfriends who had lived there!

To date, we can only determine that the house must have been built sometime in the 1920's or 1930's. Beyond this, we have nothing else!

Shortly following these conversations, we attempted to call the young woman, but to no avail. Apparently, for reasons known only to her and the family, they had relocated, and perhaps it's for the best.

"Definitely Footsteps..."

Within the past week, we encountered a local citizen who related a story that provided a frightening experience to him. The story concerns a local village homestead that was built sometime about the turn of the 18th/19th century. Of Greek revival vintage, this beautiful home was stepped in local village history.

We know the house and its past history reasonably well. For the past 40 or more years, it has always provided a comfortable homestead to several families. Our story takes place on a recent wintery Sunday afternoon, whereupon, the lone occupant was going about his business in the downstairs area. Suddenly, he heard footsteps in the rooms on the second story.

Thinking that someone might have remained in the house, he immediately called out, "Who's there?" No response! Again he exclaimed, "Who's there?" Still no response. At this point the man proceeded to investigate the second story rooms, hoping that someone might not have heard his call.

The man admitted his reluctance to check. However, he continued on until he had looked in every room only to find nothing. Assuming the noise might have been of natural circumstances, he returned to his normal activity below. He had dismissed the possibility of a small animal having entered the house, but as he later declared, "An animal could not have made that noise, and I knew it. I know heavy footsteps when I hear them, and they were definitely that!"

Just as he settled down again, the loud thumping of footsteps moved about the upstairs rooms. There was no doubt about it. This was the sound of someone, probably wearing heavy boots! For obvious reasons, there was no second investigation. The party made a hasty departure from the premises.

The gentleman in our story inquired if we had ever known of any strange happenings in the house, to which we replied "no." Since this last revelation we have heard nothing more about the matter.

In his final chapter of "It's an Old New England Custom," the author relates, "It is a favorite custom with old New Englanders to hark back to the olden times, but there is nothing surprising in this, for New England has a rich and varied history." Until now little if anything has ever been attributed to local town and village hauntings.

Agawam and its quaint village of Feeding Hills are stepped in history, yet with no reference to local ghosts and haunted houses. We felt determined our Yankee township must not be without personal tales of spiritual encounters! Such being the case, we were elated to receive word of the aforementioned stories.

It was for this very reason that we followed through with what information we had on hand. At no time did we expect to establish any truth to the happenings beyond what was told us, nor did we now attempt to convince anyone of the validity of ghostly hauntings.

The reader is free to make personal judgment of this matter. Yet, we must give some degree of credence to the hundreds of years of historical record wherein reference is made to spiritual events as experienced by our forefathers. Our earliest New Englanders make countless mention to such ghostly apparitions, hauntings, strange phenomenon, and works of "ol' sooty!" Even now, how many of us are obsessed with the reading of a good mystery or enthralled with ghost stories?

Some readers might attribute such unearthly events as occurring in old rather than newer homes. The fact remains that ghostly apparitions have been known to take place in even the more modern structures!

This information was presented to us by at least two well-known authorities on the spirit world (who have investigated such happenings in newly-constructed houses within the general area).

"Fact Is Stranger Than Fiction"

There is more truth than not to Ripley's famous "Believe It, Or Not." Today the science of parapsychology is an accepted study in colleges and universities across the nation. Man has yet to use the unbelievable powers of his brain.

We hope that our readers will find some pleasure in these stories (if nothing else). Without doubt, there are those residents who may have further stories to relate concerning ghosts and hauntings. If so, please forward your information to the authors. Through your efforts and interest, we may provide future stories of interest and most assuredly your material will only help to extend our own local history.

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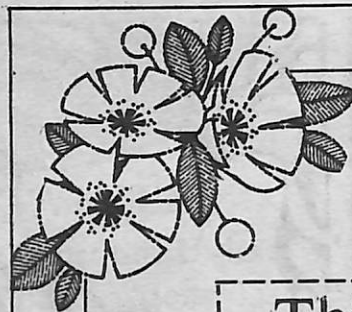
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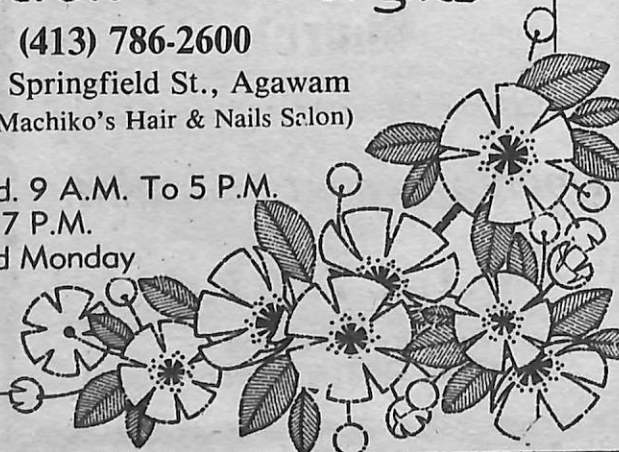
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"Resident of the Week"

RESIDENT OF THE WEEK! Carmela Torricelli

Carmela Torricelli was born in the town of Cassone located on Lake Garda, Province of Verona, Italy in 1895. This area is still very dear to her heart, and she considers it to be among the most beautiful areas in the world.

She was one of seven children and arrived in the United States with her sister, Camilla, in 1913 and settled in Springfield. In 1916, she was joined by her mother and her brothers and relocated to West Springfield. Several years later her brothers, Louis and Marco, and her sister, Camilla, and herself entered the business world and opened the Blue Grotto Restaurant.

Carmela married Decio Torricelli who had one daughter, Louise. Decio was the founder of the Art Cement Products Company. Carmela was an excellent cook and enjoyed knitting and crocheting. She has been active in the St. Ann's Church Society, and regularly assisted them in their tortellini-making endeavors that she found most pleasurable.

Carmela has one living brother, Carmillo, and 12 nieces and nephews who are very proud and supportive of her. She continues to lead an active life participating in religious programs and social events.

Heritage Hall is pleased to have Carmela as a member of its family.

Outdoor Gardening!

On Friday afternoon, residents of Heritage Hall and children of the Latch Key Program gathered to do outdoor gardening. Everyone worked diligently to clear the weeds from the designated areas. After the beds were prepared colorful marigold plants were planted.

The flowers are a beautiful sight to gaze upon as they line both sides of the walkway. The next gardening venture will be planting flowers on each side of the circle. Everyone who participated is enjoying their feeling of accomplishment for a task well done, and also know many people will enjoy the beauty of the flowers as they relax outside on the porch during the nice weather.

Irving Berlin's Birthday Celebration!

Residents of Heritage Hall recently enjoyed a videotaped presentation of "Irving Berlin's 100th Birthday" celebration. Many of them have fond memories connected with some of the old songs that Berlin wrote, especially those during the World War I and II era.

Residents joined in a sing-a-long of "God Bless America," and several were deeply affected by the words of the song. Some even voiced their opinion that it should be our National Anthem. Everyone had a great time as they all like music and are eagerly awaiting their next musical entertainment event.

Friendship

I Remember

by Florence Way

"During my childhood days I was lucky enough to acquire three true girlfriends. Their names were Catherine, Bertha, and Marion. We lived in the same neighborhood and our families became very close. My friends and I always went to the movies together. If one got a new dress, all of us got a new dress.

I can remember when children's rain capes came into style; we all had rain capes and they were the same shade of blue. One rainy day three of us went to a movie and were walking down Main Street when a lady stopped us and wanted to know if we were triplets. Oh, we were so proud to think someone had noticed us!

We continue to carry on our friendship through correspondence and holiday greeting cards. One of the treasures of life is a lasting friendship."

The Blue Angels!

Residents of Heritage Hall recently accepted an invitation extended by Robert M. Duda, lieutenant colonel M.A.A.N. deputy commander, to attend a special performance of an air show featuring the Blue Angels and the Thunderbirds.

The Air National Guard's 104th Tactical Fighter Group sponsored the air show. The A-10 Thunderbird II Tactical Fighters were the first to display their amazing speed and flying abilities. The Blue Angels fly the F-18 Hornet Jets and assemble in groups of six for their demonstrations. They executed spectacular maneuvers to the delight and amazement of their audience.

Residents of Heritage Hall would like to extend a thank-you to the 104th Tactical Fighter Group for an enjoyable afternoon.



STACEY A. BOURGEOIS

Stacey A. Bourgeois Engaged To Frank A. Cavallo

Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. Bourgeois of 14 Provin Mountain Drive, Feeding Hills, announce the engagement of their daughter, Stacey Anne, to Frank A. Cavallo, son of Mr. & Mrs. Frank L. Cavallo of 36 Clover Hill Drive, Feeding Hills.

Miss Bourgeois is a graduate of Cathedral High School, and received a bachelor of arts degree in English from Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Connecticut, in 1987. She is employed by Connecticut National Bank, Hartford, Connecticut.

Her fiancé is a 1983 graduate of Agawam High School and studied Landscape/Plant Science Technology at Springfield Technical Community College. He is a self-employed landscape contractor and the owner of Cavallo Landscaping of Feeding Hills.

No date has been set for the wedding.

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Headaches Aren't Normal

Just about everybody gets a headache once in awhile, so why should you be upset if you happen to be suffering from one? If you've been celebrating with friends and eat or drink too much, it certainly would not be unusual to wake up with a headache the next day. But that kind of headache usually goes away as soon as you're eating sensibly again, and getting enough sleep. But what about the other kinds of headache?

Some illnesses, such as flu, include headache among the symptoms. But if you're in reasonably good health, you have a right to wonder why you suffer from headaches. A resort of aspirin and other medication may dull the pain for awhile, but if the headaches persist, you should look elsewhere for relief.

Among the causes of persistent headache are problems with the cervical vertebrae, the spinal bones in the neck. When properly aligned, the cervical vertebrae form a smooth, gradual, forward curve. This normal curve is very important and is readily seen on x-ray. Unfortunately, many of us have lost this important curve due to falls, jolts, and other stresses that we've all experienced. After this primary curve has straightened or even worse, reversed, the neck is subject to much greater stresses. The result may be headaches that continually recur.

If there is compression of the delicate nerve system in the neck, this could cause headaches until you get the treatment you need. Chiropractic treatment may provide the relief.

Agawam Eagle Scouts Feted At Banquet In Chicopee

Twenty seven young men from across Hampden County who earned the Eagle Scout Award were recognized by the Pioneer Valley Council, BSA at the Annual Recognition Banquet, held at the Fairview Knights of Columbus Hall, Chicopee, Monday, June 6th.

The dinner was sponsored in part by the Springfield Lodge of Elks, and was attended by their representatives. Jeffrey Glaze of Westfield was the master of ceremonies. Gerald Hayes, president of Hayes Associates and an Eagle Scout himself, was the guest speaker. Todd Dickenson, of Troop 177 chartered to the United Methodist Church in Wilbraham, delivered a stirring address to his fellow Eagle Scouts as a member of the Class of 1988.

Each Eagle Scout was accompanied by a sponsor, who works in the prospective career field of the scout. Each scout visits the workplace of his sponsor, and discusses career paths, education, and opportunities in the field.

The following are area Eagle Scouts with their sponsors:

Michael A. Asselin, Troop 150, Chicopee—Law Enforcement, sponsored by Lieutenant Robert Campbell, Agawam Police Department.

Mark V. Bluteau, Troop 70, Agawam—Electrician, sponsored by Victor Goulding, E & I Supervisor.

Christopher Buffington, Troop 77, Agawam—Carpentry, sponsored by Harold Kane, H & K Remodeling.

Nocturnal Adoration Society To Meet Friday, July 1st

The Nocturnal Adoration Society of Greater Springfield will meet in St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Pine Street, West Springfield, to conduct and pray the Office of The Blessed Sacrament, Friday, July 1, 1988 from 9:00 p.m. thru Saturday morning July 2, 1988 at 6:00 a.m.

Rev. John T. Cain, Pastor, will open the event with Exposition of The Blessed Sacrament. Members recite both evening and morning prayers, private public, closing with Benediction at 6:00 a.m.

Assisting Fr. Cain, will be William W. Sullivan, man of St. Thomas' membership, and Leo Gallerani, society president.

Membership is open to all men and women or older.

Mark & Kathleen Stevens Announce Birth

Mark & Kathleen Stevens of Feeding Hills announce the birth of their bouncing baby boy, Justin Stanislaus Stevens, born May 9th, at 7:48 p.m. He weighed 7 pounds, 11 ounces.

The proud grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Marty Laver of Southwick, and Mr. & Mrs. Stanley Stevens of Coram, New York.



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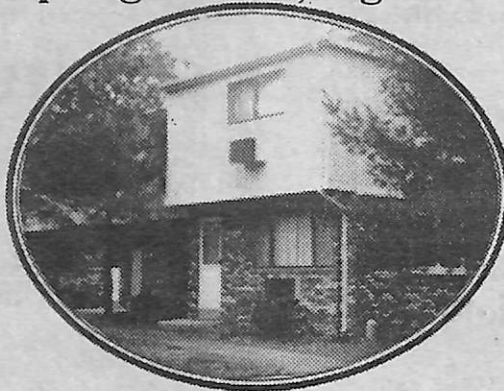
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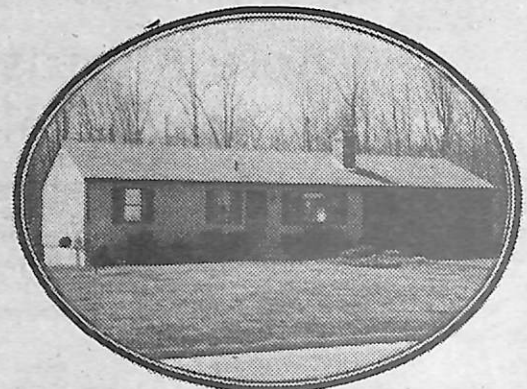
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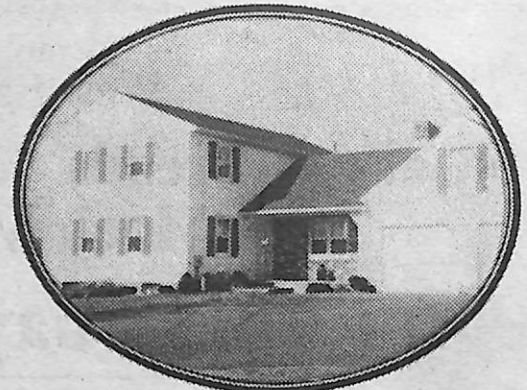
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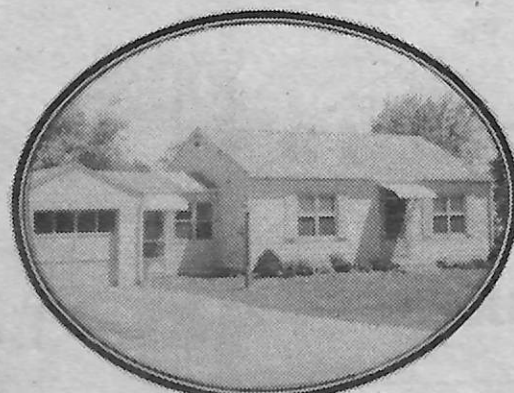
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Bernie oversees the entire business operation, then concentrates on selling phone systems and teaching companies how to use a system once it's in place.

Terri manages their office, while their daughter, Debra Ann, maintains all computerized files, accounts, and information. Their son, Bob, manages the service department and along with another brother, William, handles the actual installation and servicing of the phone systems.

Among the businesses serviced by Spurs are area medical centers, television stations, and even the City of Holyoke. Spurs installed the phone system that connects all city departments and the entire school system, "no small job when one considers the age and solid construction of some of that city's older school and municipal buildings. They were built to last," said Bernie.

Actual installation of a system can take quite a bit of time, especially if wiring has to be replaced throughout a building.

For example, when installing phone systems for the new Early Childhood Center of Holyoke, it took six weeks to do the installations, connecting all the offices and rooms of what was once the DES office and originally, the old Holyoke Community College.

The systems most frequently installed included the Inter-Tel GLX, a speaker-phone system favored by smaller businesses, and the Delta Series of phone systems, which is used by the Town of Agawam.

The Whittles decided to open their own business in January 1987 and their business has grown. Now offering 24 hour a day/seven day a week service to their clients, they are in fact a business on the grow.



SPURS TELKOM, INC., is located on Springfield Street, Feeding Hills. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Spotlight On Business - continued...

The Friendly Faces Of Spurs Telkom, Inc.



THE FRIENDLY STAFF OF SPURS TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC (story on previous page) Debbie Whittle Olewinski, Bernard Whittle, and Therese Whittle. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



SPURS TELECOMMUNICATIONS technicians Will Whittle and Bobby Whittle hard at work programming a phone system. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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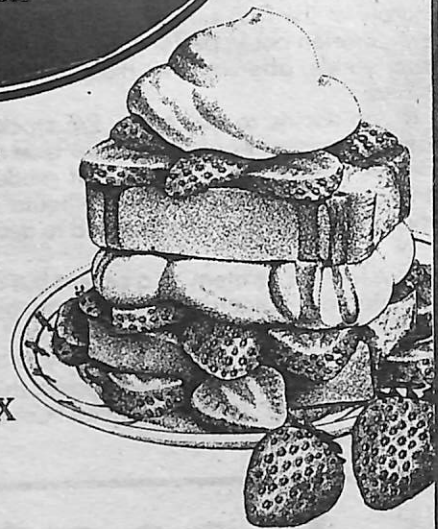


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Spotlight On Business - continued...**Playing Stock Market Can Bring You Plenty Of Earnings: Research**

by **Catherine M. Sypek**
Financial Consultant
1500 Main Street, Springfield

Many popular stocks are selling briskly at some of the highest price/earnings ratios ever, with plenty of buyers ready to take advantage of their momentum. Yet, while these trendier, "higher priced" stocks seem to do well, those with lower price/earnings ratios generally do even better.

Whichever you consider, the price/earnings ratio is an important yardstick that can help you evaluate a stock's price and its prospects.

The price/earnings ratio (often referred to as P/E ratio) is determined by dividing the current market price of a stock by its earnings per share. So, if the price of a stock is \$50, and the company earns \$5 a share for each share of its common stock outstanding, the P/E ratio is 10 to 1. In other words, it is said to be selling at 10 times earnings, or at a "multiple" of 10. The higher the multiple, the higher-priced a stock is considered to be, meaning it is expensive in relation to its earnings.

The average P/E ratio of the Standard & Poor's 500 Stock Index is currently about 12. Every industry group, as well, can be represented by an average P/E ratio. To find out an industry average, call your Financial Consultant or check the current "Value Line Investment Survey," published by Value Line.

A stock with a P/E ratio significantly above its industry average usually means a strong degree of investor confidence in the stock's future earnings. A stock with a P/E ratio lower than average, on the other hand, is often out of favor.

Which stock could, in time, reward you with the highest rate of return? The answer may surprise you.

A company with a high P/E ratio is likely to be a company on a fast growth track. The stock's favorable image, potential price appreciation, and promise of attractive dividends often make it enticing. Investors buy the stock causing its price, and consequently its P/E ratio, to increase. A high P/E ratio, however, can imply greater risk. If the stock's high rate of growth falls short of expectations, investors sell their shares causing the stock's price to decrease.

If you are considering a high-P/E ratio stock, be selective. Choose a quality stock with a high profit margin, high return on equity, little debt, and a good product that is resistant to competition.

On the other hand, if you are looking at a good stock with a lower-than-average P/E ratio, studies show this choice may well be more profitable. One recent study, conducted by Forbes Magazine, compared the performance over five years of 50 firms—evenly divided into two groups: a high P/E ratio portfolio (36 or higher) and a low P/E ratio portfolio (4.4 or lower). A \$25,000 investment in the high P/E portfolio yielded nearly \$34,000, but the low P/E group returned \$66,000.

Why does the low P/E strategy work? The low P/E stock stands to appreciate more. (Its price may go up sharply at the first sure sign of earnings.) The superior appreciation could be further enhanced by higher dividend yields, often two or three times that of high P/E stocks.

If you decide to buy a low P/E stock, choose one as carefully as you would any other type of stock. Select a company that has a positive, if modest, growth rate. Pick one with ample cash and liquid assets, too, and whose earnings are not expected to decline dramatically.

The low P/E strategy is a potent but demanding tool. The glamour associated with trendy, high-flying stocks easily can override the discipline and common sense required of the low P/E investor. If you are tempted by a dazzling performer. However, keep things in perspective, and keep your Financial Consultant's phone number nearby.

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Curran Jones Accepted By N.E. Master Trust

Multibank Financial Corporation, Dedham, and the Massachusetts Funeral Directors Association have announced the acceptance of the Curran-Jones Funeral Homes, 109 Main Street, West Springfield, and 745 Cooper Street, Agawam, as members of the New England Funeral Trust/Multibank Master Trust.

The New England Funeral Trust/Multibank Master Trust Program through Multibank National of Western Massachusetts will assist funeral directors in making detailed funeral and financial arrangements on a "preneed" basis. Richard J. Curran of Curran-Jones Funeral Home states, "Unlike some other prearranged funeral services presently being sold in the West Springfield/Agawam area, the prearranged funeral program of Curran-Jones Funeral Home will place 100 percent of the funds received under the New England Funeral Trust program into the New England Funeral Trust/Multibank Master Trust, which is available locally through Multibank National of Western Massachusetts, a Multibank Financial Corporation bank.

"The New England Funeral Trust/Multibank Master Trust was designed in complete conformance with the

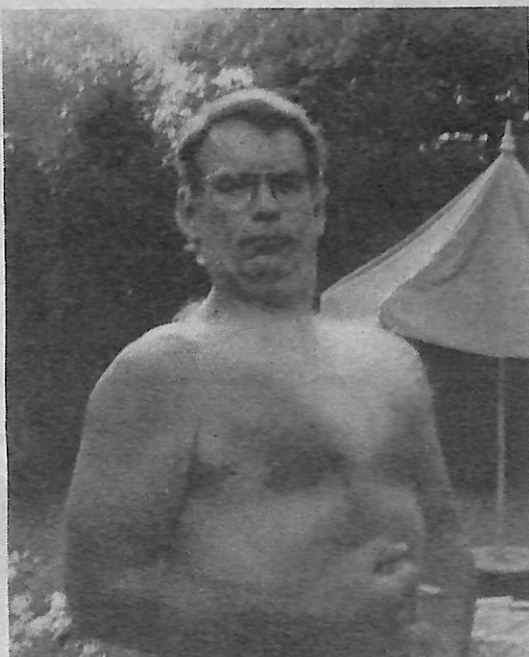
regulations established for prepaid funeral arrangements by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration of Funeral Directing and Embalming."

The New England Funeral Trust/Multibank Master Trust enables funeral directors to conveniently invest their clients' prepayments at the Multibank affiliate bank in their local area. Further, the fact that prepayments are invested in a legal trust arrangement protects pre-arrangement clients and assures them that their funeral arrangements will be carried out as planned. Multibank keeps detailed records of each pre-arrangement client's investment, and produces all necessary tax forms so participating funeral homes may comply with legal reporting requirements.

According to Curran, "Our firm's participation in the New England Funeral Trust/Multibank Master Trust program not only confirms our continued commitment to the West Springfield/Agawam area families we serve, but also our belief that individuals paying money in advance for prearranged funeral services deserve the peace of mind that a legal trust arrangement creates."

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Spotlight On Business - continued...**Colonial Funeral Home
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Multibank Financial Corporation, Dedham, and the Massachusetts Funeral Directors Association have announced the acceptance of Forastiere Funeral Home, 45 Locust Street, Springfield, Colonial Funeral Home, 985 Main Street, Agawam, and Southwick Funeral Home, 624 College Highway, Southwick, as members of the New England Funeral Trust.

The New England Funeral Trust program will assist funeral directors in making detailed funeral and financial arrangements on a "preneed" basis. Peter Forastiere states, "Unlike some other prearranged funeral services presently being sold in Massachusetts, the prearranged funeral program of Forastiere, Colonial, and Southwick Funeral Homes will place 100 percent of the funds received under the New England Funeral Trust program into the New England Funeral Trust. The New England Funeral Trust was designed in complete conformance with the regulations established for prepaid funeral arrangements by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Board of Registration of Funeral Directing and Embalming."

The New England Funeral Trust enables funeral directors to conveniently keep detailed records of each pre-arrangement client's investment, and produces all necessary tax forms so participating funeral homes may comply with legal reporting requirements. Further, the fact that prepayments are invested in a legal trust arrangement protects pre-arrangement clients and assures them that their funeral arrangements will be carried out as planned.

According to Forastiere, "Our firm's participation in the New England Funeral Trust program not only confirms our continued commitment to the communities we serve, but also our belief that individuals paying money in advance for prearranged funeral services deserve the peace of mind that legal trust arrangement creates."

**Realtor Dot Lortie
GRI Designate**

Dot Lortie, realtor, recently had conferred upon her the designation Graduate, Realtors Institute (GRI) by Massachusetts Association of Realtors President, David M. Peretti.

The GRI designation signifies 90 hours of advanced in-class real estate education. Realtors who have passed the GRI examinations are recognized as having attained one of the highest professional levels in residential real estate.

The Realtors Institute is a program of the Massachusetts Association of Realtors and meets the rigid standards set for such programs by the National Association of Realtors. Its purpose is to enable realtors to better service their clients and customers through education and training in real estate.

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Your Convenience****Ramah Attends Brokers Marketing Conference**

Joseph P. Ramah of George & Green Real Estate, Agawam Center, was one of more than 100 brokers from 13 states who participated in marketing approximately \$60 million of real estate last month.

Ramah attended a specialized marketing conference sponsored by the Eastern Real Estate Marketing Network (EREMN), May 16th and 17th. Held at the Sheraton Tara at Ferncroft Village, Danvers, Massachusetts, EREMN hosted members of the National Council of Exchangers (NCE).

NCE members, numbering 4,500 nationwide, are brokers pledged to offer alternatives to the traditional real estate business methods. According to the chairman of the event, John Kimball of Pepperell, Massachusetts, conferences such as the one last month allow participants to find real estate investment opportunities for their clients nationwide.

"There are no geographical boundaries to this marketing concept," explained Kimball. Members like Ramah are trained in applying real estate counseling to determine the benefits clients are seeking in real estate investment. Investment solutions are found through real estate exchanges that improve clients' leverage in the marketplace while garnering them substantial tax savings.

The ability to network with NCE members through conferences such as this one means members can look for the most favorable properties and transactions across the country, not just in one area. Ramah, like all those at the May Marketing Session, was able to present the entire group with one investment opportunity he has available. Through listings displayed, such as at a "Country Store," further opportunities are created for each attendee to avail themselves of investments from every other conference member.

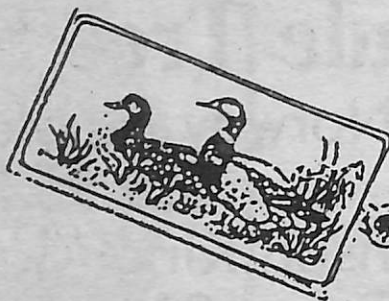
In addition to the marketing sessions, several educational programs were available that augment professional growth in client counseling and exchanging skills. Ramah said he has already been able to apply some of the skills learned at the conference here in Agawam in the last few weeks.

The ability to offer as many options as possible—beyond what traditional brokers and bankers purvey—is the key to the exchangers movement, explained Ramah. He added, "Through real estate counseling, exchanges, single agency representation, and buyer representation, NCE members want the public to know we are here with alternatives to offer," said Ramah.

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Science Museum Has Courses For Kids

The Springfield Science Museum is offering 20 science courses for children this summer. Walk-in registration will be held Sunday, June 5th, from 12:00 to 2:00 p.m., at the George Walter Vincent Smith Art Museum next door to the Science Museum on the Quadrangle.

Animal Habits and Habitats (ages four to six). Two sessions: July 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, and July 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Through a variety of animal games, riddles, and hands-on activities, children will learn about animal lifestyles. (Fee, \$24).

Dinosaurs Large and Small (ages four to six). Three sessions: July 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon; August 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The world of dinosaurs will be explored through games, crafts, stories, and a visit to Dinosaur Hall. (Fee, \$24).

Colors, Shapes and Rainbows (ages four to six). Two sessions: July 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, and August 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. In this course, children will have fun learning about the colors and shapes that make up our world. (Fee, \$24).

Nature Did It First (ages four to six). Two sessions: July 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, and 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. People think they invented forks, straws, shovels, and paddles, but some animals have these inventions built-in. With games and activities, youngsters will learn how different animals use their eyes, mouths, feet, and tails. (Fee, \$24).

Inside Out (ages four to six). Two sessions: July 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, and August 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children will listen to their hearts beat, examine x-rays, investigate bones and muscles and find out what makes them tick. (Fee, \$24).

Exploring Water and Bubbles (ages four to six). August 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children will make things which will sink, float, or carry cargo; measure water, and explore the colors, shapes, and sizes of bubbles. (Fee, \$20).

Buzzing a Hive (ages six to eight). July 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children will make paper bees, bee hives, flowers with pollen, and perform bee dances. (Fee, \$20).

Digging Into Dinosaurs (ages seven to nine). July 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Youngsters will learn about the major groups of dinosaurs and explore what these amazing creatures were like. (Fee, \$20).

Digging Into Dinosaurs II (ages seven to nine). July 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. A more in-depth look at dinosaurs, including some of the less well-known ones. (Fee, \$20).

Creature Features (ages seven to nine). July 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children will discover the importance of an elephant's trunk, deer's antlers, and porcupine's quills through games, activities, and hands-on museum specimens. (Fee, \$20).

Shells and Sea (ages seven to nine). August 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Youngsters will explore the animals of the shore and sea, make their own shell collections, and examine starfish, sea urchins, and other salty critters. (Fee, \$20).

Getting to Know Reptiles (ages seven to nine). August 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children will learn about reptiles as they meet "Missy," the museum's live boa constrictor and "interview" live turtles in the new Exploration Center. (Fee, \$20).

Bodyworks (ages eight to 10). July 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children will learn about their bodies using anatomical models, stethoscopes, a life-sized skeleton, and the transparent woman. (Fee, \$20).

Small Creatures and The Invisible World (ages eight to 10). July 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th; 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Children will learn to use microscopes to examine planaria, paramecia, and more. (Fee, \$20).

Pre-registration is required for all courses, and class size is limited. A snack will be provided for the four to six year-old groups. For more information, call the Science Museum, 733-1194.

Agawam's Big Fourth Slated For July 2nd

The Agawam Recreation Department will again coordinate the townwide festivities in celebration of Independence Day. The annual celebration is being held Saturday, July 2nd.

The parade will begin from the Sacred Heart Church Parking Lot on Springfield Street at 12:00 noon and will proceed down Poplar Street to Garden Street—take a right on Garden—right onto Shoemaker Lane—right onto South Westfield. The parade will then stop at the cemetery for a brief ceremony (organized by John Manning) honoring our sons and daughters of the American Revolution. The parade will then proceed down South Westfield Street to Springfield Street, taking a left at Feeding Hills Center and continuing up Southwick Street to the Polish Club.

The Agawam High School Band with Color Guard, St. Peter's Drum Corp, and the Royal Columbian Drum Corp will feature the musical units who have already signified their attendance. Other groups who will be in attendance will be Riverside Park, Sea Scouts Ship No. 1, Showbiz Pizza's Billy Bob, and the local Chamber of

Commerce. Several members of the Town Council will take part along with State Senator Linda Melconian and State Representative Mike Walsh. The Agawam Senior Citizens will also take part dressed as your favorite clowns and Miss Agawam will make a special appearance.

If your organization has not been contacted, and you wish to participate in the parade, please call the Recreation Department, 786-0400, extension 456.

The family picnic immediately following the parade will once again be held at the Polish American Club. Two bands have been scheduled for your listening and dancing pleasure during the late afternoon and evening hours. If you are interested in reserving space for a food booth, game booth, etc., please call Edward Barako, 786-9798.

To climax the program, a fireworks display sponsored by the Polish American Club will be held at the club. Starting time is approximately 9:00 p.m. Atlas Fireworks Corporation will shoot the display.

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The Parent Education Department at Baystate Medical Center will host a series of free programs for expectant parents, to be held Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m., in the Wesson Women's Meeting Room.

The series begins June 23rd with "Planning for your Child's Financial Future," followed by "Circumcision: Making an Informed Decision," July 28th, and finally a program on V.B.A.C.—Vaginal Birth after Cesarean, August 11th. Preregistration is requested.

The financial planning program will cover a variety of issues but special attention will be given to the various federal treasury programs available, monetary gifts to children (the Uniform Gift to Minors Act), and how to select a financial advisor.

With the rising costs of raising and educating a child, financial planning has become an essential part of parenting in the 1990s.

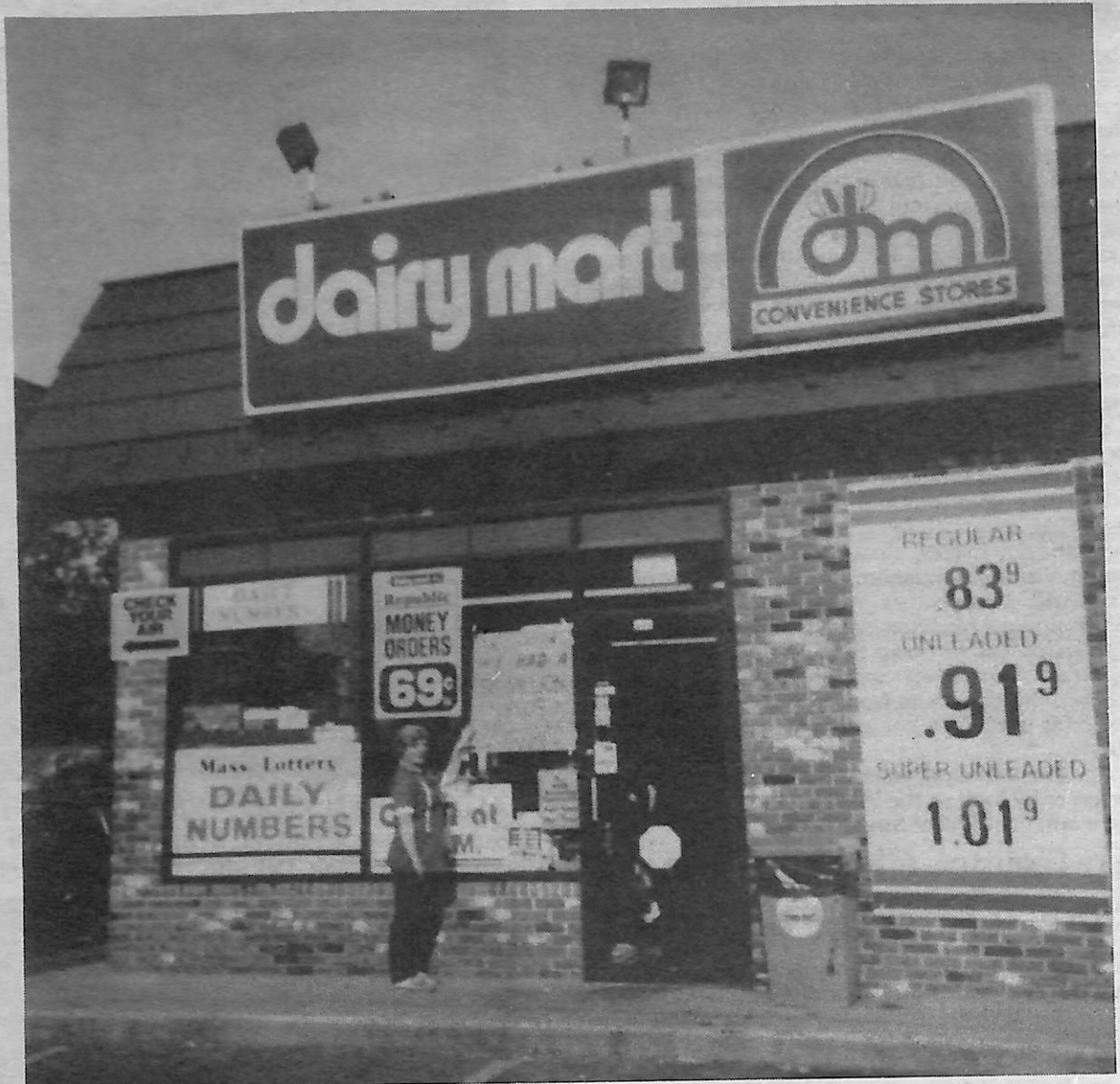
Catherine Sypek, financial consultant for Shearson Lehman and Hutton, Inc., will lead the discussion. She said, "The biggest asset parents have is time." The end of the program will be devoted to questions.

Next in the series will be a program about circumcision. Once routinely performed, the necessity of this procedure is now being reexamined by the Academy of Pediatrics. Parents will learn about the historical and cultural reasons for circumcision, its medical benefits and disadvantages, and new medical findings.

The program on V.B.A.C. will end the summer series. Parents will learn about this childbirth option from a panel of experts including women who have chosen this procedure.

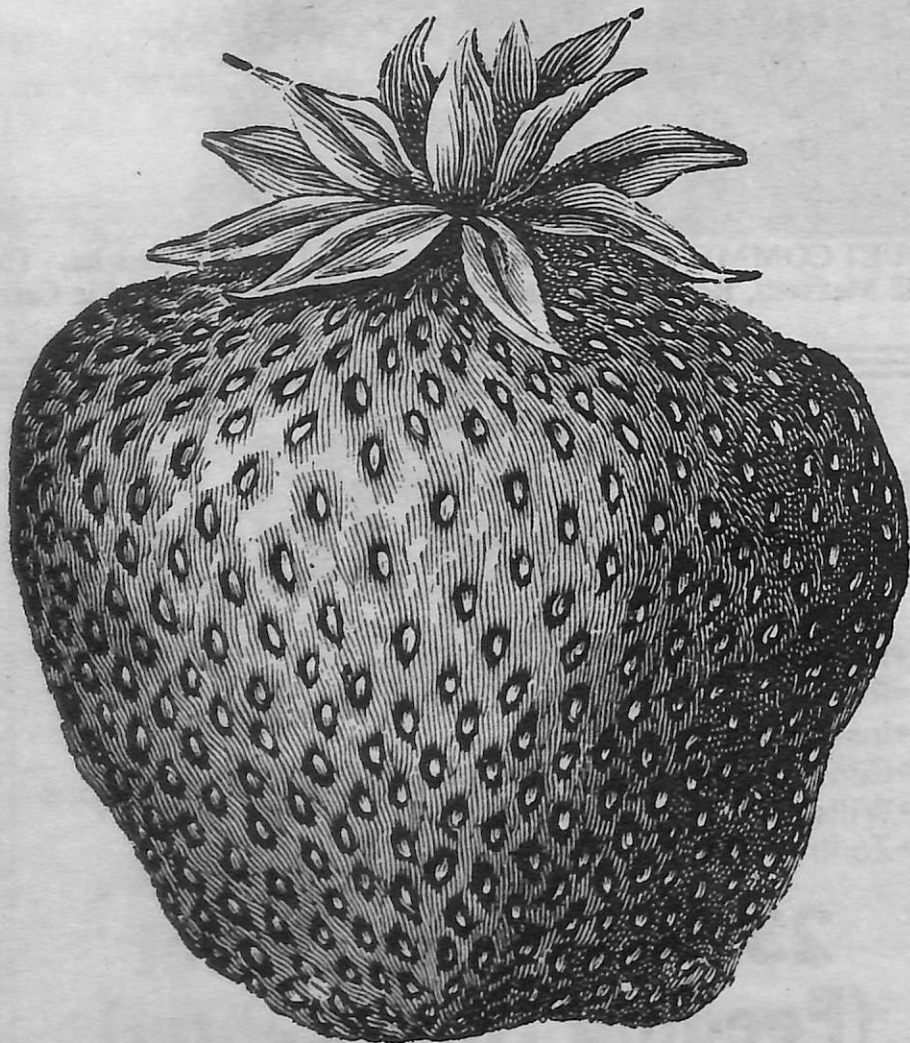


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West Side Recreation Schedules Family Trips

The West Springfield Recreation Department is currently accepting reservations for two of its Family-A-Fare Trips scheduled for the month of June.

The first, which will take place on Saturday, June 11th, is to the Adams National Historic Site, located in Quincy, Massachusetts, and the Arnold Arboretum.

The Adams Historical Site was the home of John, Abigail, and John Quincy Adams, and is noted for its formal gardens and a 14,000 volume library.

Trees, shrubs and hibiscus plants are cultivated by scientific and educational purposes at the Arnold Arboretum located in Boston.

The cost of this trip is \$25.00 per person, which includes transportation, lunch, and admission fees. The bus will leave the West Springfield Town Hall at 8:00 a.m. and return at 6:00 p.m.

For the shopper or sightseer, the Recreation Department will sponsor a trip to New York City on Saturday, June 25th. Reservations are currently being accepted at the office.

Spend the day in New York City doing as you wish — shopping, visiting a museum, or strolling Central Park. The bus will drop visitors in midtown Manhattan, at the Metropolitan Museum of Arts, and for those who wish to shop, further down Fifth Avenue.

Departure from West Springfield is scheduled for 7:30 a.m., with departure from New York City scheduled for 6:00 p.m. The per person cost of this trip is \$16.00.

Reservations for both these trips may be made either in person or by mail to the West Springfield Recreation Department, 26 Central Street, 01089.

F.H. Congo. Church Annual Strawberry Supper & Bazaar

The annual strawberry supper of the Ladies Benevolent Society of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church will be served at the church on North Westfield Street on Saturday, June 18, with continuous servings from 5 - 7 p.m. The menu includes potato and egg salad, boiled ham, cole slaw, rolls and pickles, strawberry shortcake and beverage. Tickets for adults are \$5.50 and for children (6-12), \$2.00. Reservations may be made with Mrs. Earl Bradway, 786-1409, or Mrs. Richard Taylor, 786-1935. Mrs. Perry McCobb and Mrs. Kenneth Burton are co-chairwomen of the kitchen with Mrs. Edward Burgamaster as hostess in the dining room.

Before and during the supper, a mini-bazaar featuring home baked foods, plants, books and novelty items will take place. Mrs. George Kopy is in charge of the bazaar.



UNICO Scholarship Banquet Again A Hit



AGAWAM UNICO MEMBERS PICTURED WITH DISTRICT UNICO officials at Annual Scholarship Banquet held at Casa Di Lisa. Pictured - Bob Siciliano, Bruno Maule (both Agawam); Dick DiLullo, treasurer; Richard Forni (new president), Al D'Agostino and Frank DeLapa; and Sam Circosta, secretary. Advertiser Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.



SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET COMMITTEE members for Agawam UNICO - from left - Tom Coppola, Louie Russo, Bill Mezzetti, Bob Siciliano, and Mike DeLucchi. Absent - Vic Carra. Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.

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New UNICO Board of Directors Named



AT THE ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP BANQUET of Agawam UNICO, members Tom Mezzetti and Frank Pignatare (right) were named as new members of the club's Board of Directors. Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.



OUTGOING AGAWAM UNICO PRESIDENT Mike DeLucchi (center) receives assistance from club member Bill Mezzetti (right-Scholarship Banquet chairman) as they announce several awards at Casa Di Lisa. Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.

Order Of Eastern Star Sets Strawberry Supper June 18th

West Springfield Chapter No. 144, Order of the Eastern Star is holding their Annual Strawberry Supper, Saturday, June 18th, at 6:00 p.m., at the Masonic Temple, 732 Elm Street, West Springfield.

The menu will include ham, potato salad, cole slaw, beverages, and strawberry shortcake. Adults are \$6; children under 12, \$4.

Chairwoman is Vivienne Irwin, worthy matron, assisted by Elsie Blanchard, Florence Bozenhard, Betty Bowne, Clara McLean, Edith Osborne, Marilyn Talbot, and Mildred Tukey.

For reservations, please call Florence Bozenhard, 568-8456, or Marilyn Talbot, 732-7622.

Jeffrey D. Barker Graduates U.S. Air Force Course

Air Force Reserve Airman Jeffrey D. Barker, son of Ernest W. & Elaine Barker of 89 Cherry Street, Feeding Hills, has graduated from the U.S. Air Force jet engine mechanic course at Chanute Air Force Base, Illinois.

During the course, students were taught repair and maintenance of jet engines with emphasis in ground safety practices when using ground support equipment. They also earned credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

He is a 1987 graduate of Agawam High School.

Jim & Lisa Clark Announce Birth of First Child

Jim & Lisa (Losito) Clark of Somers Road, East Longmeadow, announce the birth of their first child, Kelley Nichole. A strawberry blonde with blue eyes, she was born June 3rd at Providence Hospital, Holyoke, and weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces, and was 21 inches long.

Her grandparents are Mr. & Mrs. Michael Losito of Shoemaker Lane, Agawam, and Mr. & Mrs. Richard Clark of Old Meadow Plains Road, Simsbury, Connecticut.

Rosary Altar Society Slates Tailgate Flea Market In Sept.

The Rosary Altar Society of Sacred Heart Church, Feeding Hills, will hold their Annual Tailgate Flea Market, Saturday, September 10th, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. (Raindate will be Sunday, September 11th, from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m.)

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Former Town Resident Thriving As Secretary Of Suffield School

by Joan Lussier
Advertiser News Staff

Norma Neilson, the secretary of Bridge Street Elementary School in neighboring Suffield, has a job that encompasses everything from "A to Z," and has a love of children that radiates in her smile, glows in her eyes, and is demonstrated by all the kind and thoughtful acts she does, everyday.

Originally from Agawam (she still has family here), Mrs. Neilson attended and graduated from Agawam High School. She then moved to Suffield and has spent the last 40 years there.

Mrs. Neilson married Edward, a meat salesman for Allied Grocers, Windsor. Together, they raised three children—Glen Allen and Edward Allen, who reside in Suffield, and Nancy Lamonica, who lives in Feeding Hills. The Neilsons also have three grandchildren.

For 23 years Mrs. Neilson's beaming personality and secretarial skills have maintained the office duties, but in a school of only seven classrooms, three first grades and four second grades, the students are more than faces, and Mrs. Neilson is more than a secretary.

Because the school nurse is situated at Spaulding School, Mrs. Neilson takes care of "tummy" aches and bruises, but her only tools are a thermometer, ice, and a band-aid. She is also aware of the fact that many mothers work, so she supplied the school with clothes, if the children get muddy; hats and mittens, if the children lose theirs in the winter; and "undies," in case of an accident.

Her kindness doesn't end there. Mrs. Neilson provides snacks for children who have left theirs at home, and because the 160 children are six and seven year-olds, losing their teeth is extremely important to them. She provides the famous "envelopes for teeth," which the children treasure.

"This school is very unique. Everyone is wonderful—the teachers, educational assistants, volunteers, and custodians, and that makes Bridge Street School a loving, giving, and wonderful place for children. Everyone cooperates, and the PTO has also been superb," added Mrs. Neilson.

She went on to say, "I love what I do, I love the children. For me, it is a privilege to be here and to work with them. Children are so loving and sharing, and I wish I could give them all hugs! I really am an 'old mother hen.'"



LONG-TIME BRIDGE STREET SCHOOL SECRETARY NORMA NEILSON, a former Agawam resident, assists second graders Melinda Burris and Kelly Brookins in the school office last week. Mrs. Neilson is a graduate of Agawam High School and has held the post at Bridge Street School for the past 23 years. Advertiser News photo by Joan Lussier.

Mrs. Neilson is an active member of the First Church of Christ. In her spare time, she collects antiques, old banks (especially), and enjoys watching all types of sports.

She has no plans of retiring in the near future. "It makes me sad to think about it. I'd be lost without the children," Mrs. Neilson said.

When it came time to interview her, Mrs. Neilson was convinced there was nothing special or exciting in what she did. She expects no praise or thanks for her

job, it comes from her heart, and that is what makes Mrs. Neilson special.

To all who have ever known her, Mrs. Neilson's name always brings a smile to their faces. The Town of Suffield, and Bridge Street School, especially, are fortunate to have her as part of their educational community.

Perhaps why she is so loved is her philosophy of her job: "I take care of all the children as if they were my own, and we communicate, with a smile."

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PHILM REVIEW

by Phil Benoit
Entertainment Editor

—*Big*: 3 STARS

This engagingly charming comic fantasy deals with a 12 year-old boy (David Moscow) who winds up with an adult body (Tom Hanks) after his wish to be "big" is granted by a magical fortune-telling machine, and how his sudden physical maturity soon leads him to enter the business world of dog-eat-dog grownups.

To be perfectly honest, I was not expecting to enjoy *Big*. After all, this film is the latest installment in an unimpressive trend of "role reversal" pictures which began last fall with the Dudley Moore dud *Like Father Like Son*, and then continued with the mediocre Judge Reinhold vehicle *Vice Versa* and George Burns' lackluster *18 Again!*.

However, *Big* happens to be the most outstanding entry in this otherwise tired genre. Under the smooth direction of actress-turned-moviemaker Penny Marshall (*Jumpin' Jack Flash*), this comedy succeeds in providing us with many endearingly humorous moments as Hanks' boyishly spirited character manages to get a job within a well-known toy company and quickly becomes an important cog within the executive machinery of this huge business, thanks to his unending fascination with its kid-oriented products and his enthusiastic hands-on approach when it comes to testing their durability.

Moreover, *Big* tugs at our heartstrings as well as tickles our funny bones. When he initially undergoes what it is like to be an adult in today's society, Hanks regards the experience as an exciting adventure because he now has his own place to live and can do whatever he wants with his free time.

Yet, as time passes by, he comes to realize that he misses his school-age friends and family, who, incidentally, have no idea what has happened to him and mistakenly believe that he has been kidnapped. These poignant moments of the story not only make some perceptive observations on the nature of childhood, but are also apt to bring tears to the eyes of many filmgoers.

Besides benefitting from Marshall's fine direction, *Big* gains a great deal of strength from its well-chosen cast of performers, including Robert Loggia (*The Believers*) as the gruff yet fatherly owner of the plot's toy company, Jared Rushton in the part of Hanks' 12 year-old best friend, and Elizabeth Perkins (*About Last Night...*) as a co-worker of Hanks' who develops strongly romantic feelings for him.

But, it is Hanks himself who turns in the picture's finest acting and is undeniably the single best thing about *Big*. After turning in memorable performances in

such diverse comedies as *Splash*, *Bachelor Party*, and *Dragnet*, he outdoes himself with his newest role and, thus, gives what I feel is his most impressive portrayal to date.

Blending buoyant bodily gestures with a delightful sense of childlike humor and innocence, Hanks is thoroughly believable as a outwardly mature individual who's mentally and emotionally still a boy, and his rib-tickling combination of physical and verbal comedy renders his performance as an endeavor which is worthy of a nomination for an Academy Award.

With regard to the movie on the whole, *Big* is not flawless because there are some holes within its storyline and the film itself suffers from a certain amount of predictability. Nonetheless, this is one heartwarming funny picture that will most likely go down as one of the biggest audience-pleasers of the summer of 1988.

—*Funny Farm*: 1½ STARS

A boring and forgettable comedy about a New York sportswriter (Chevy Chase) and his schoolteacher wife (Madolyn Smith) who leave the hustle and bustle of the Big Apple and head for a rustic Vermont town so that they can have children in a quaintly peaceful environment and he can pursue his lifelong dream of writing a novel.

However, things go wrong before they even set foot inside their new home, and they learn the hard way that living in New England is not exactly the bed of roses that they thought it would be.

Based on a novel of the same title by Jay Cronley, *Funny Farm* showcases one of Chase's (*The Three Amigos!*) better cinematic performances. In many of his earlier movies, particularly the two "National Lampoon" *Vacation* farces, not only did this comic performer overact to the point where he became an obnoxious ham, but his humor had a forced quality to it that weakened much of its impact.

In *Funny Farm*, on the other hand, Chase's brand of slapstick-oriented comedy is considerably toned down, and consequently, he manages to turn his clownish character into a generally amiable chap.

Additionally, Smith (*2010: Odyssey Two*) is very appealing as Chase's sultry and loving wife. This young and not-often-seen actress possesses a subtle comedic style that complements her co-star's show-offy aspects, and their romantic moments together consist of much droll charm.

Yet, in spite of their solid acting, *Funny Farm* is not worthwhile. Directed by George Roy Hill, a noted filmmaker who's given us such first-rate pictures as *Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid*, *The Sting*, and *The World According to Garp*, this new movie, surprisingly, is a lifeless and slow-moving comedy with an erratic sense of tone. It starts off as a clichéd yet mildly amusing depiction of the culture shock that a pair of city-bred individuals experience as they try and adapt to a country lifestyle and realize that it does not exactly resemble a scene from a Norman Rockwell painting.

Then, the film develops a mean-spirited mood when the marriage between Chase and Smith's characters undergoes some problems that I won't reveal within this review so as not to spoil the rest of the picture for those people who wish to see it. Suffice it to say that at

this point in the story, the humor becomes almost nonexistent, and the movie's satiric portrayal of rural New Englanders stops being funny and grows somewhat unpleasant to watch.

Funny Farm is not a downright rotten comedy because it does have its share of good points, namely the commendable efforts of its two leading performers. But, at the same time, I think that you'd get more laughs from viewing an old rerun of the ever-hokey television series *Green Acres* than from seeing this film.

—*Poltergeist III*: 1 STAR

In her last screen appearance, the late 13 year-old actress Heather O'Rourke reprises the role of Carol Anne Freeling, the youngest member of a suburban California family who was haunted by malevolent ghosts in the first two *Poltergeist* pictures.

Now, this time around, Carol Anne is spending some time with an uncle and aunt (Tom Skerritt and Nancy Allen) in their ritzy Chicago high-rise, and she is once again pursued by evil spirits who are anxious to take her to their underworld realm.

Like its immediate predecessor, this second sequel to the first *Poltergeist* chiller falls way short of the mark in terms of the amount of frightening suspense that was superbly conveyed in the vastly superior 1982 original. For instance, most of the horror in this movie revolves around creepy apparitions that continually appear in the many mirrors which are featured in the high-tech apartment complex where the character of Carol Anne is currently staying.

When we first see these ghostly figures at the beginning of the story, the film does manage to create a certain amount of captivating tension. However, as the plot progresses, the scares gradually become less and less scary because whenever we see a mirror, we know that something is about to happen; therefore, this kind of predictability eventually does much damage to the overall picture.

Meanwhile, as if this shortcoming wasn't enough, *Poltergeist III* contains a couple of examples of shockingly shoddy editing, and this all-too-apparent flaw somewhat impairs the movie's continuity and creates some confusion that unintentionally hampers our ability to effectively follow the story.

As far as the acting goes, Skerritt (*Maid to Order*) and Allen (*RoboCop*) do the best that they can with their one-dimensional roles, and O'Rourke—who passed away in February—is once again extremely winsome as Carol Anne. However, this talented young actress deserved a more fitting cinematic epitaph than a pale reworking of the notable film which gained her much praise early in her all-too-brief career.

*THE PHILM GUIDE FOR PARENTS:

- *Big*: Rated PG for some profanity.
- *Funny Farm*: Rated PG for the mildly adult nature of some of its humor and language.
- *Poltergeist III*: Rated PG-13 for some violence and gruesome special effects.

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AGAWAM POLICE LIEUTENANT ROBERT CAMPBELL (center) welcomes the "Ink Spots" to the Agawam Junior High School for a benefit concert last week. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CLARK SCHOOL THIRD GRADERS recently visited Storowton Village in West Springfield dressed in 19th century garb. Students in photo are Stephen Sherman and Joshua Darbe (standing), and Steven Sands, David Borowiec, and Joey Campbell. The adult in the photo is Roxanne Borowiec. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Big Band To Play At Stanley Park

The Don Bastarache Big Band will perform for ballroom dancing at Stanley Park this summer. There will be dancing every other Saturday evening beginning July 9th from 8:00 to 10:30 p.m. in the park pavilion.

The band, led by Westfield State College faculty member Donald Bastarache, has entertained at the park in past summers with the music of Glenn Miller, Count Basie, Woody Herman, Artie Shaw, Duke Ellington, and other giants of the big band era.



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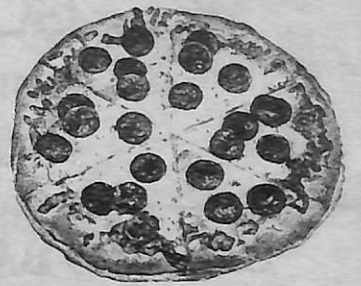
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Learn Victorian Wall Stenciling

Springfield artisan, Eleanor Langlois will teach a 4-week course, "Victorian Wall Stenciling," beginning on Tuesday, July 5th from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m. at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum.

Victorians decorated with a lavish hand, and Victorian era stenciling was more elaborate and ornate than that of an earlier period. In this 4-week series of classes participants will learn to cut stencils, stencil samples of Victorian-type wall patterns, stencil on paper, and, if time permits, on wood.

Eleanor Langlois is a charter member and current president of the Pioneer Valley Chapter of the Stencil Artisans League, Inc., a national organization devoted to the advancement and improvement of stenciling. She has taught stenciling in elementary schools and adult education courses, and has conducted stenciled workshops at Storowton Village and the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum. Langlois also demonstrates stenciling techniques for a company which produces a line of stenciling patterns and supplies.

Pre-registration and pre-payment are required 1 week before the first class. Tuition is \$31 for members of the Springfield Library and Museums and \$34 for non-members; plus a material fee payable directly to the instructor at the first class. Participants should bring the following supplies to the first class: x-acto knife or other cutting tool, pencil, notebook, glass for cutting surface approximately 8"x10", ruler, scissors, and paper towels.

"Victorian Wall Stenciling" is one of the many programs offered in conjunction with the Museum's exhibition, **Valley Victorians: Springfield Area Homes of the 19th Century**. The exhibition is sponsored by Sunshine Art Studios of Springfield, with contributions from the Springfield Women's Club and special gifts from Springfield Library and Museums Association members.

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Art Museum Offers Summer Travel Program

A chance for a lobster dinner on the shore, music at Tanglewood, and a tour of the Corning Glass Center in New York are some of the travel pleasures being offered this summer by the Travel Program of the Springfield Art Museums.

Trips scheduled this summer include: a visit to the Fingerlakes Region of New York from Thursday, July 28th, to Sunday, July 31st; a Saturday, August 6th bus trip to Tanglewood and Edith Warren's house; and a Tuesday, August 30th jaunt to Lincoln, Gloucester and Rockport. That trip to the Massachusetts coast will include a visit to the DeCordova Museum in Lincoln, and the Historical Museum in Gloucester.

There is still time to sign up for any and all of these trips. For more information, or to register, call Irene Hayward, travel coordinator, at (413) 733-4214.

YOUR Dental Health

by Dr. Stephen R. Jacaparo
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Patient Options In Cosmetic Denistry

A nice smile conveys a positive message. Advances in dentistry have given patients an opportunity to enhance their image. Here are some of the current options available in cosmetic dentistry:

- Bonding: painting tooth-colored plastic on stained or damaged teeth to change their color or shape. Generally, this works best on front teeth, which play a limited role in chewing.

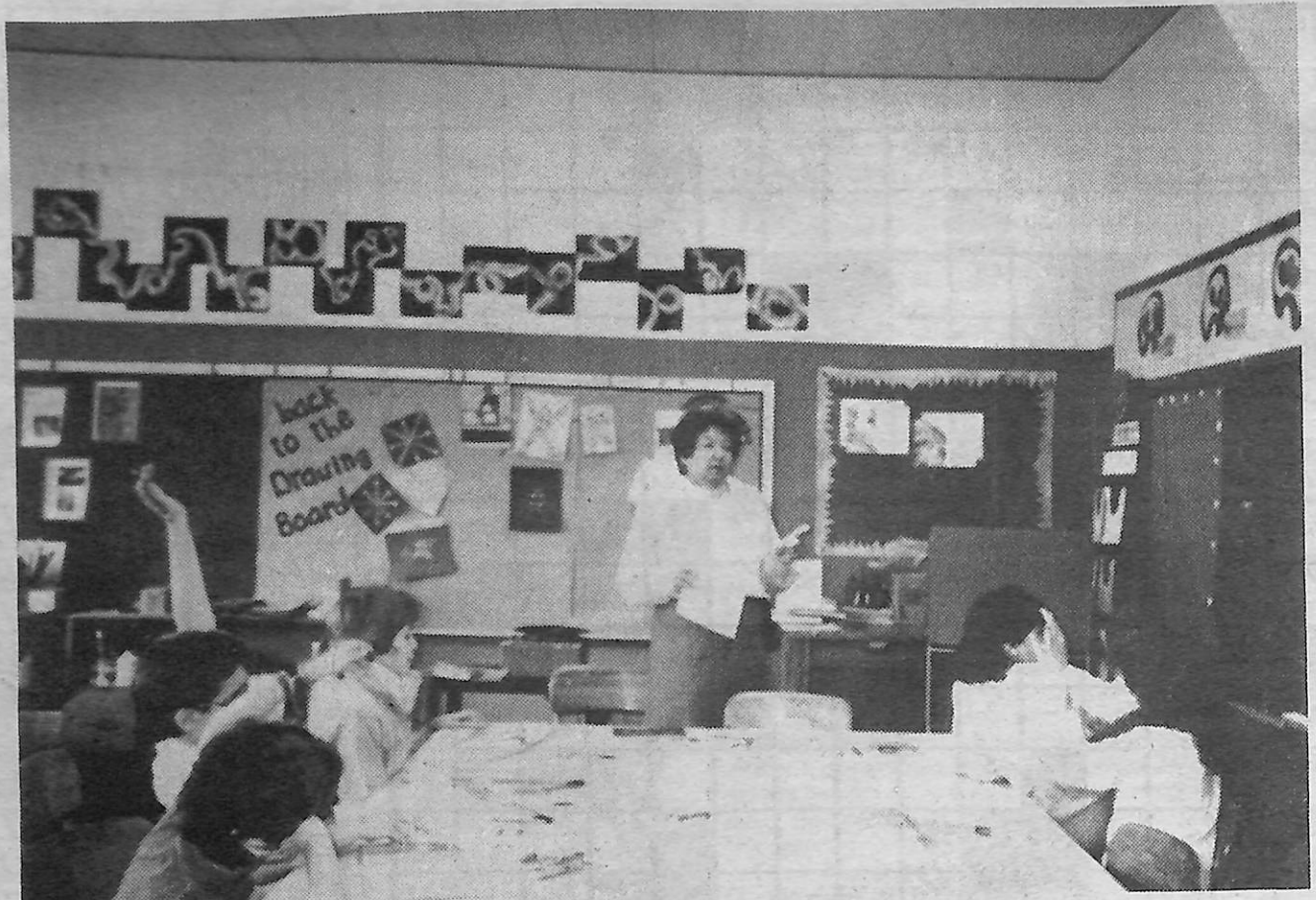
- Bleaching: painting a chemical whitening agent on one or more stained or discolored teeth to lighten their appearance.

- Bridges: one or more artificial teeth held in place by attachments to adjacent teeth. Fixed bridges are usually joined to crowns on either side of the artificial teeth. Maryland bridges have metal extensions that are bonded to the back of adjacent teeth. A single false tooth may be anchored by tiny screws; this is an Azilian bridge.

(continued next week)

Presented as a community service by **Stephen R. Jacaparo, D.M.D.** 1379 Main Street, Agawam, MA. PHONE: 786-8177.

Ann Bradford Featured Speaker At AIC



ANN BRADFORD, the teacher for gifted studies for the past seven years at Phelps and Granger School, was a featured speaker at the "Gifted Share Day" sponsored by American International College, Thursday, June 16th. Thirteen school systems participated in the event.

Westfield River Festival Slated For June 25th

On Saturday, June 25th, the Westfield River Festival will celebrate one of the Pioneer Valley Region's most scenic rivers. The Westfield River Festival will be held from 12:00 noon to dusk at the Whitney Field off Route 20, Westfield.

Continuous musical performances include folk singers, bluegrass and contradancing, and the country

rock band Willow Creek appearing at 7:00 p.m.

Activities also include storytelling, nature walks, face-painting, riverbank explorations, and activities for kids, fly-fishing practice, canoeing, and a barbecue. Admission is free. For more information, call the Pioneer Valley Planning Commission in West Springfield, 781-6045.

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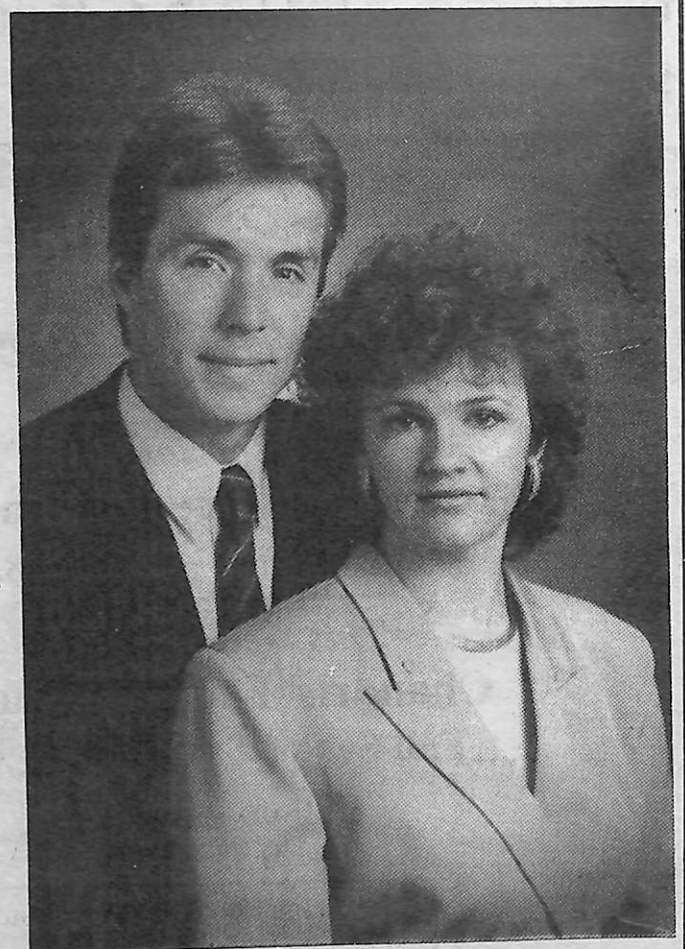
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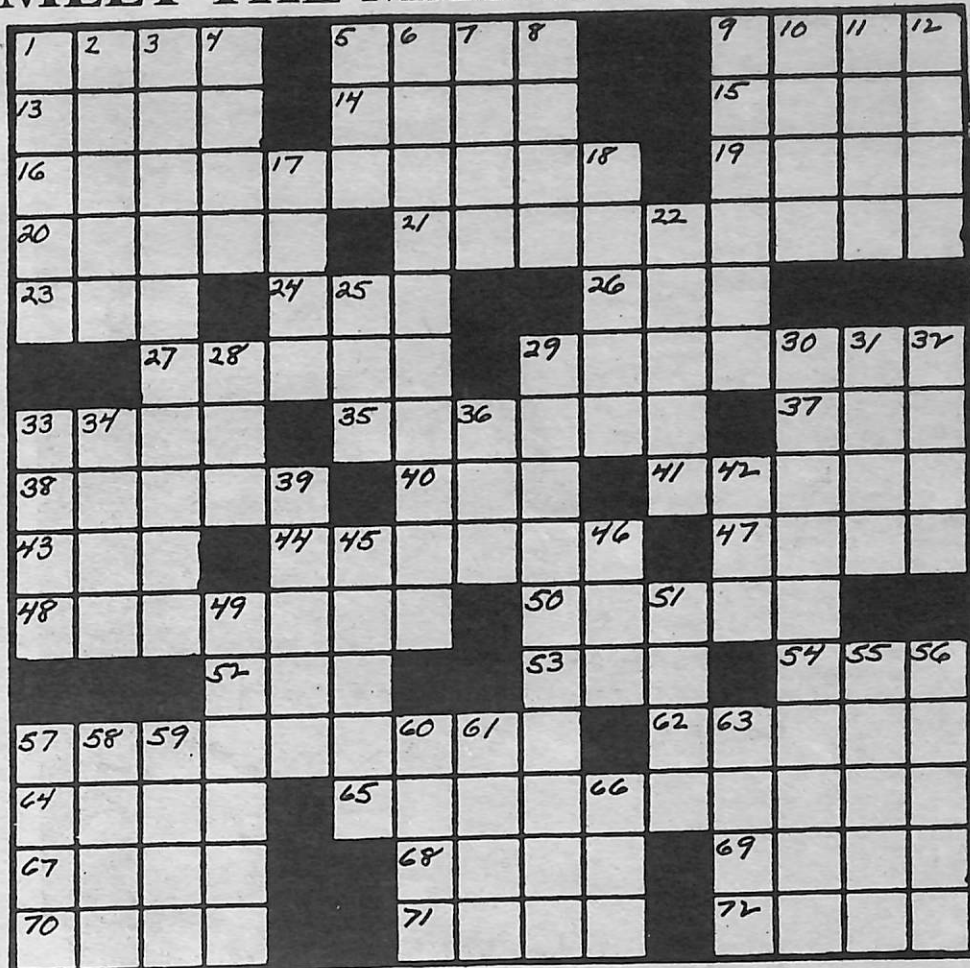
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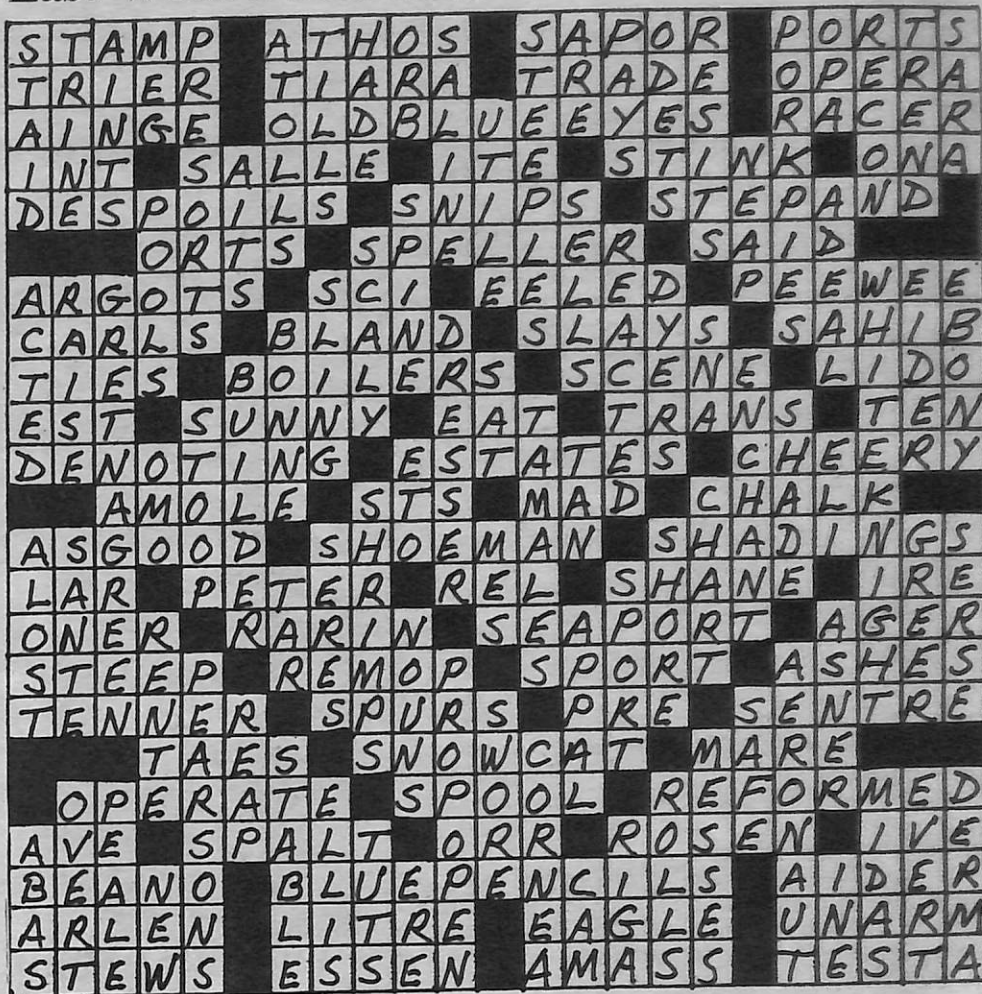
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- 15 Type of exam
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- 24 Mr. Baba
- 26 The law has a long one
- 27 Pixie-like
- 29 Followed
- 33 Double yes in Rotterdam
- 35 Exit
- 37 Altar response
- 38 Decay
- 40 En tout -

- 41 Abhorred
- 43 Word of disgust
- 44 Hand springs for one
- 47 - - time (never)
- 48 Type of trip
- 50 Sea of WWII fame
- 52 What's left
- 53 Mount - (Jain temples locale)
- 54 Printing measures
- 57 Broad vistas
- 62 Type of music
- 64 Cupid
- 65 Little Miss Muffet for one
- 67 Beer order in a pub
- 68 Rung
- 69 Opera highlight
- 70 Fuss
- 71 Little guy's
- 72 June 6, 1944

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- 1 - up (stacked)
- 2 Get up
- 3 Robin's friend
- 4 Italian family name
- 5 Half a fly
- 6 Award
- 7 Sound
- 8 Don't put this into a square hole
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- 10 Part of UAR
- 11 Long legged bird
- 12 She: Fr.
- 17 Tea or tree follower
- 18 Burns
- 22 Debris
- 25 Little White characterizes this
- 28 Young man
- 29 Fly fisherman's activity.
- 30 Sparrow for one
- 31 Garden

Last Week's Solution...



Agawam Repertory Theatre To Hold Auditions June 22-23

The Agawam Repertory Theatre will hold open auditions for its fall production, "I'll Be Back Before Midnight," a thriller by Peter Colley, on Wednesday and Thursday, June 22nd and 23rd, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m., at the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street.

There are roles for two women (age 25-35) and two men (age 35-55). The play is scheduled for a mid-October run at the Moses Building Theatre on the Big E grounds in West Springfield, the former home of StageWest. For more information, call 739-2111.

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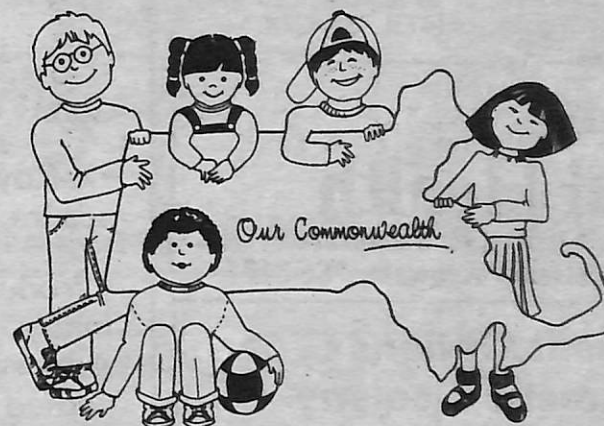
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Matt Paleologopoulos To Show Etchings At Fine Arts Museum

The art works of 16 staff and faculty members of the Springfield Quadrangle are on view through the month of June in the Sales and Rental Gallery of the Springfield Museum of Fine Arts. Agawam resident Matt Paleologopoulos will show his etchings.

According to Gallery Director Midge Barrett, the show was organized to celebrate the wealth and diversity of talent at the Springfield Library and Museums. Art works on display range from a hand-colored photograph to a marble and lead sculpture as well as etchings, paintings, and lithographs.

The exhibitors are: Northampton residents Bruce Rainier (sculpture), Maren Brown (oil and pastel painting), Martha Hoppin (silk screen), and Bill Stern and Ellen LaFleche (photography); Amherst resident Karen Olszewski (clay sculpture); Chicopee resident Nancy Michon (watercolors); Westfield resident Jeanne Matzko (pastel painting); Southampton resident Valerie McQuillan (lithograph and mono-print); Longmeadow resident Deborah Hewitt (paper collage); Great Barrington resident Ann Jon (sculpture); Westfield resident Marjory Lehan (crayon and pastel); Conway resident Dorothy Osterman (oil painting); Springfield resident John Phelps (etchings); and Haydenville resident Diane Savino (monotype prints).

Some works on display are available for sale or rental. For more information, call Gallery Director, Midge Barrett, 737-0541.

Star Trek Fan Club Looking For New Members

Attention "Trekkers," and all others who wonder what sustains the longevity and durability of *Star Trek*. The Western New England *Star Trek* Fan Club is always looking for new members who are interested in this popular and now classic cultural phenomenon. Come join us in a serious study of the original television series, the theatrically-released *Trek* films, and *Star Trek: The Next Generation*, the new hit show that has earned high ratings during its first year on syndicated television (locally on Channel 61).

At the meetings, the club members discuss the meanings of *Star Trek* and view videotapes and read literature about *Trek*. In the process, they make new friends and are exposed to different viewpoints and opinions.

Come and be part of an ongoing and "fascinating" dialogue. Unless circumstances prescribe otherwise, the club meets on the third Saturday of every month; this month, the meeting will take place on Saturday, June 18th, at 7:00 p.m., at 29 Central Street, Apartment B, Springfield.

For further information regarding the club and what it entails, please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: **Western New England Star Trek Fan Club, 43 Simpson Circle, Agawam, MA 01001.**

Storowton Village Looking For Crafters

Come one, come all! Storowton Village is looking for crafters to help celebrate America's birthday the old fashioned way.

Join the Independence Day party on Monday, July 4, 1988 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the colonial village on the Eastern States Exposition grounds. This is a special invitation to Early American-style crafters. Limited space (inside sheds) is still available for a \$25.00 fee, and there are no registration fees or commissions.

Accepted exhibitors must reflect early American craftsmanship in either design, technique or product. The 19th century costumes are available to wear if desired.

There is free admission and parking for the public and free entertainment all day long. Light refreshments will be served in the Wine Garden and children's activities will take place on the green.

Take the opportunity to add your own touch to this special event and celebrate as they did in the 19th century.

For applications and information call June Cook at (413) 787-0136.

Agawam Public Library Has Radin Works On Display

The Agawam Public Library is pleased to announce an exhibit of the work of sculptor and artist, Jerome Radin, during July and August. Radin's poster-size portraits are done in pen and ink scratchboard technique of such masters as Plato, Einstein, Dickens, and Gandhi.

The exhibit may be viewed in the library's gallery during regular library hours, Monday to Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.; Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.; closed Saturday during the summer.

For all the local news, you turn our pages!!!

Storowton Village Planning Big 4th Celebration

Storowton Village, West Springfield, is hosting its Annual Fourth of July Celebration in the colonial Village on the Eastern States Exposition grounds on July 4th, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Independence Day festivities include craft demonstrations, children's games, free entertainment, an early American Crafts Fair, as well as free guided tours of the historic buildings. The Plant Shed will also be opened with herb plants and perennials for sale.

The town crier will deliver a proclamation at 11:00 a.m. to begin the celebration of America's 212th birthday.

Storowton's favorite "Mr. Slim" and his wife, L.J. Newton will dazzle you with juggling, singing, dancing, magic, and musical routines three times throughout the day.

Youth groups have volunteered to host and lead the children's activities which include old-fashioned hoop races and sack races.

Visitors will have the opportunity to join a guided tour of the colonial Village, and observe a blacksmith at work, a villager cooking 19th century style, and a school master teaching in the schoolhouse. There will also be an exhibit of early American style crafters demonstrating and selling their unique work.

Colonial refreshments will be available in the Wine Garden. Enjoy the refreshing Strawberry Festival Dessert, old-fashioned lemonade, colonial hot dogs, sparkling cider, or bring your own picnic.

Come with family and friends to celebrate the Fourth of July as it was celebrated in the 19th century as a new holiday. Make it part of your day with free parking, free admission, and free fun! For more information, call Storowton Village, 787-0136.

Evening Tour Of Valley Victorian

Take a walk with one of the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum's curators through the Museum's new exhibit, *Valley Victorians: Springfield Area Homes of the Nineteenth Century*, on Tuesday evening, August 16th, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m., at the Connecticut Valley Historical Museum.

Enjoy a personal presentation of the Victorian exteriors and interiors on display. Many of these buildings are still standing today as some of the Valley's finest homes and work places. After this inside look at Springfield during Victorian times, watch a video showing how Victorian homes developed all across the country during this "Golden Age."

Is it Gingerbread, Gothic, or Georgian you ask? Join us to find your favorite Valley Victorian.

Tour size is limited to the first 20 people to arrive at the Museum on the night of the tour. There is no charge for this special evening tour of Valley Victorian. Donations to the Museum are strongly encouraged. For more information please contact the museum at 413-732-3080.

"Valley Victorians: Springfield Area Homes of the Nineteenth Century" will be on view through June 15, 1989. The exhibition is sponsored by Sunshine Art Studios of Springfield, with contributions from the Springfield Women's Club and special gifts from Springfield Library and Museums Association members.

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Nostalgic Photos Of Yesteryear...

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POLICE CHIEF Stanley J. Chmielewski discovered this old Agawam Police Department photo. Can you name the men in this picture? We'll give you the answer next week.

Let's Talk

REAL ESTATE



by Ralph Rachele

VARYING THE USE

A "variance" occurs when a zoning board decides to waive the zoning rules for a specific area to allow a different kind of structure. Typically, the variation is deemed to provide the community with more benefits than detriments. An area zoned for single-family dwellings, for example, might be given a variance to allow the construction of a shopping center. In order to obtain a variance, the shopping center builder must apply to the appropriate zoning board and request permission to "vary" the use of the land from the existing zoning ordinance. Such an application nearly always produces a public hearing which occurs only after all the affected owners are notified in writing. After the hearing, the board permits or denies the proposed variance.

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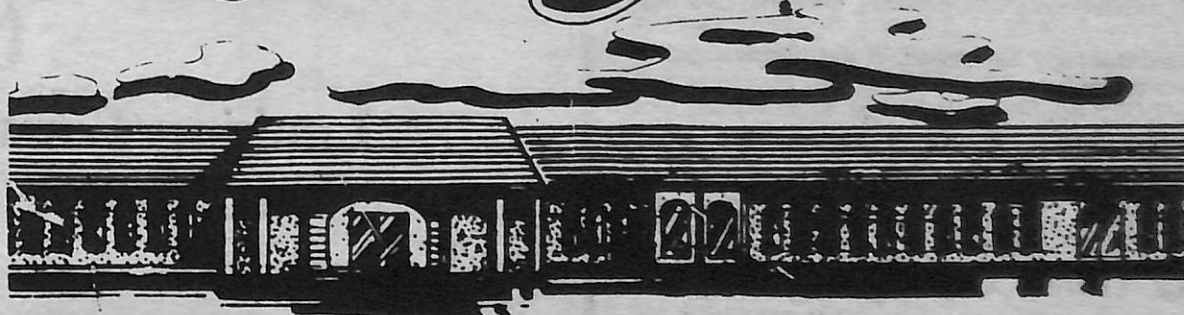
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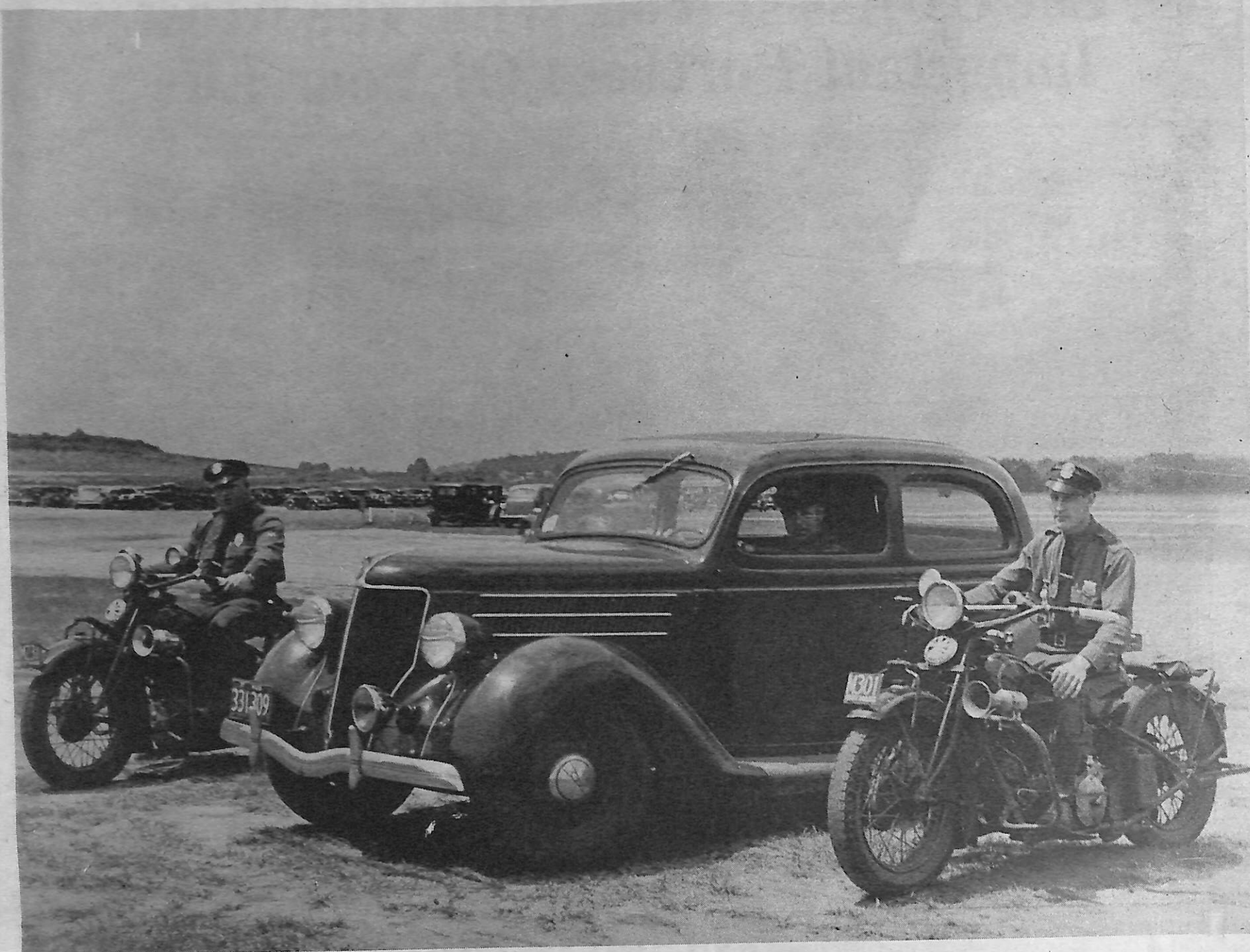
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Nostalgic Photo Of Yesteryear...

Where Was This Photo Taken? And Of Who???



THE AGAWAM ADVERTISER NEWS received several old photos from Agawam Police Chief Stanley J. Chmielewski of the Agawam Police Department. Can you name the men in this photo? Where was the photo taken? We'll give you the answers next week, as well as publish two more old photos of the Agawam Police Department.

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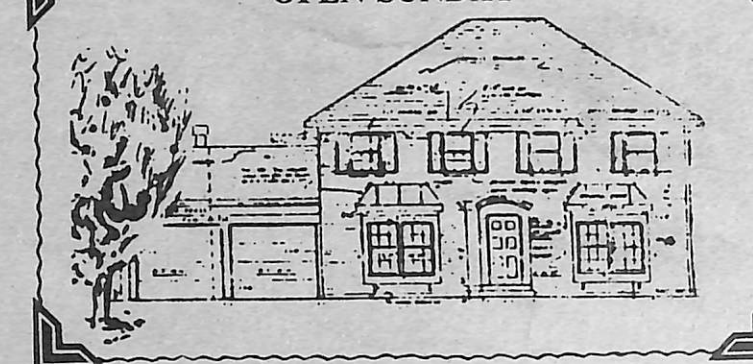


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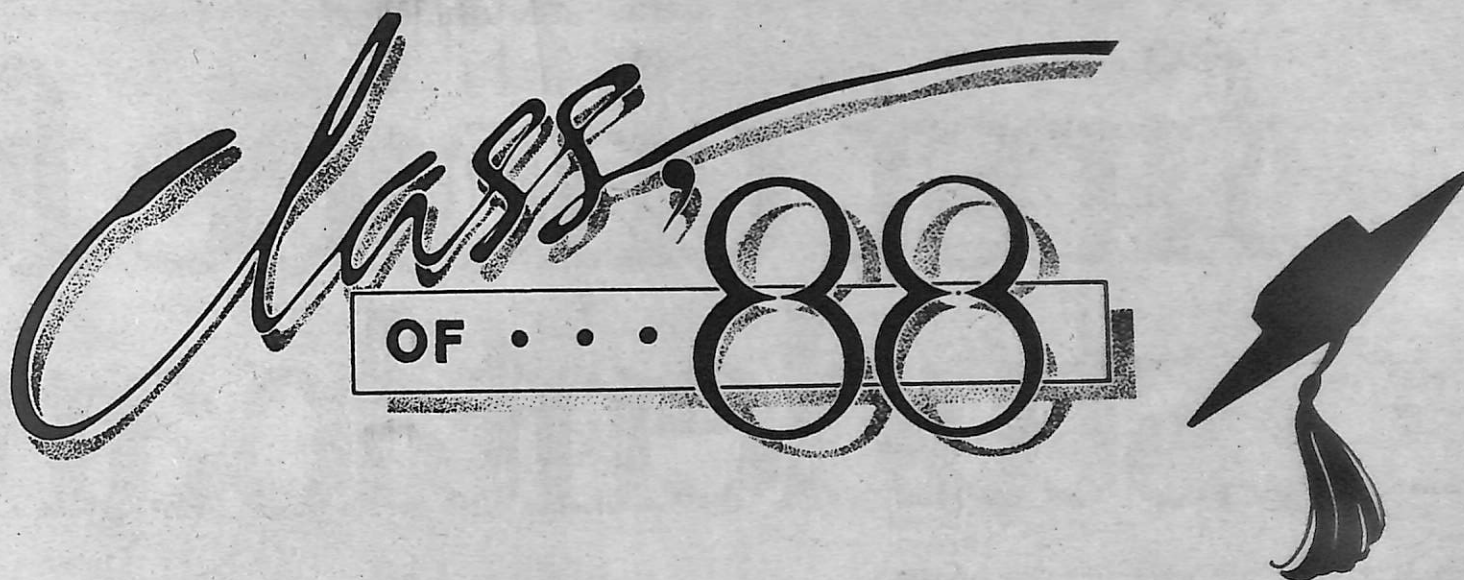
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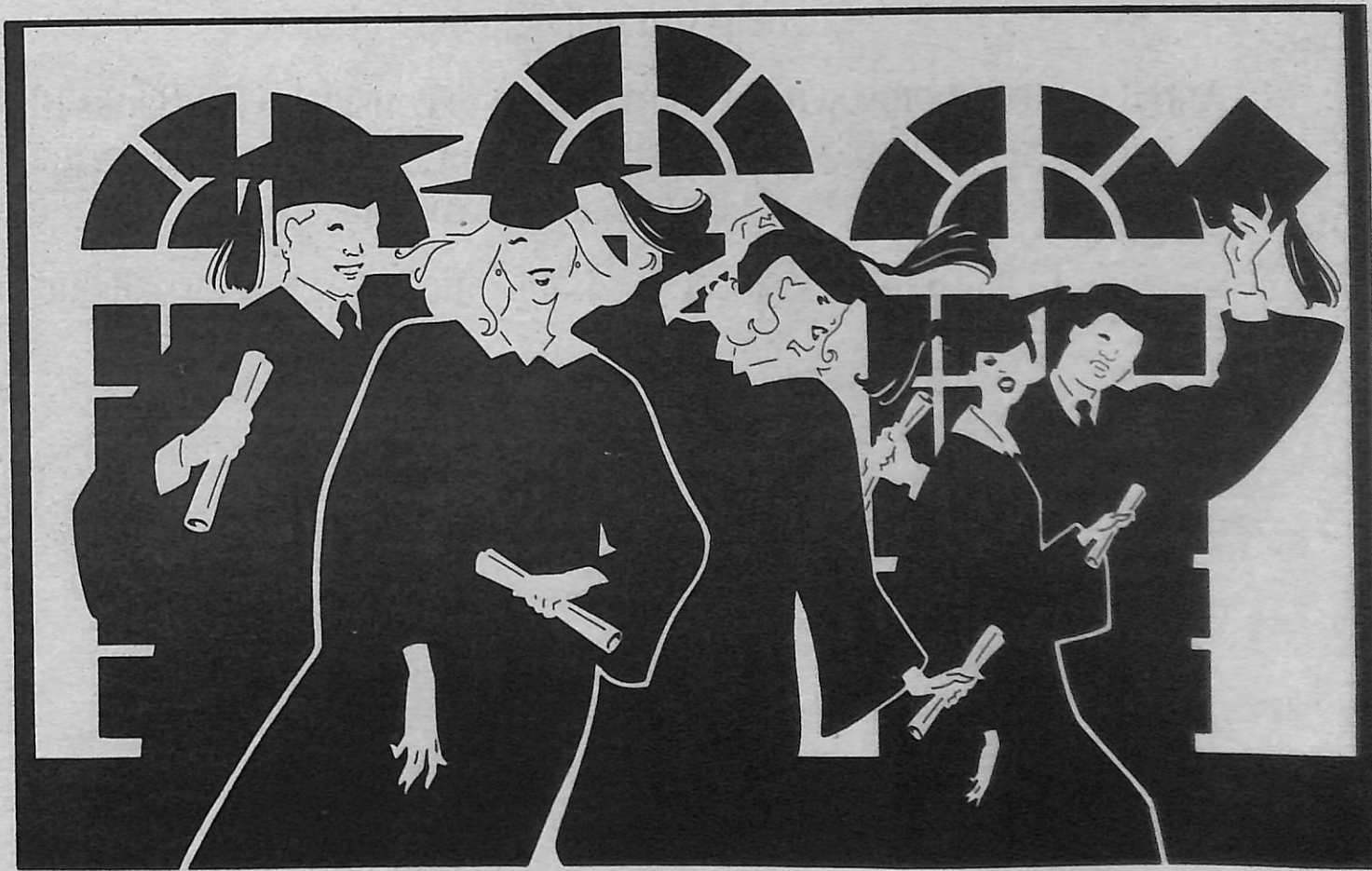


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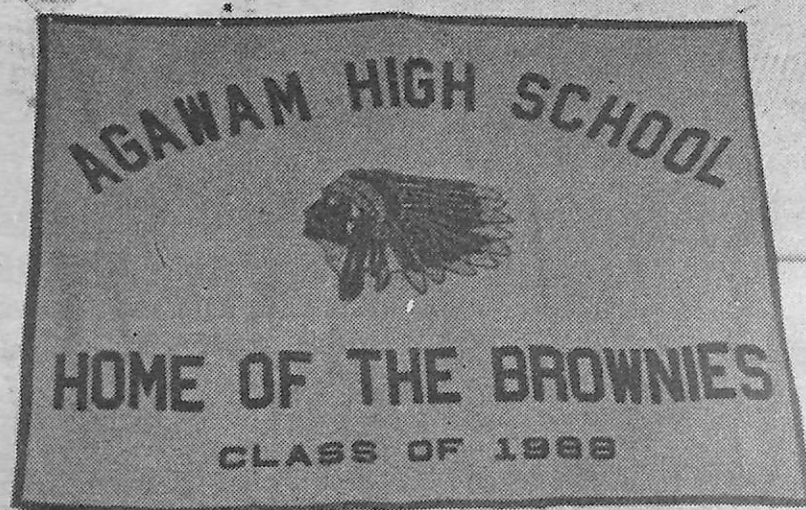
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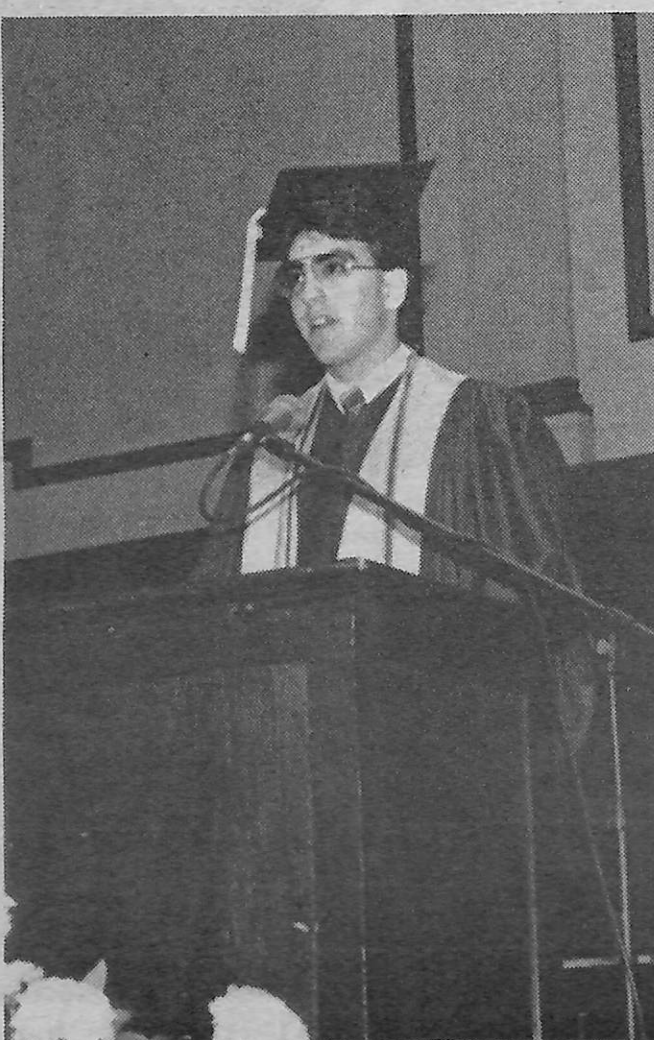
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ON THE LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR SENIORS, members of the Class of 1988 draped banners on the tennis court fence at Harmon Smith Field. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THIS BANNER PROUDLY hangs in the Agawam High School gym. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



IN PHOTO LEFT, Class of 1988 Valedictorian, John Welch, reviews the many accomplishments of the class; in photo right, Henry Kozloski gives the Salutatory address. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

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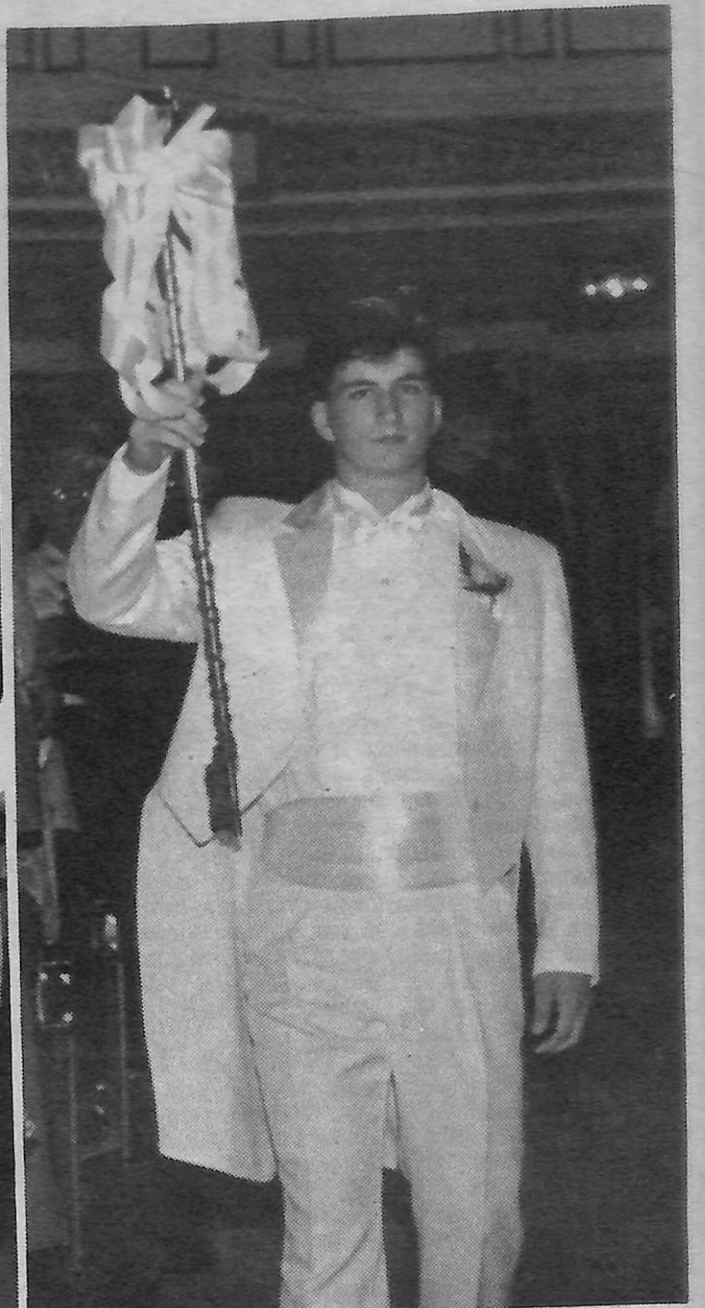
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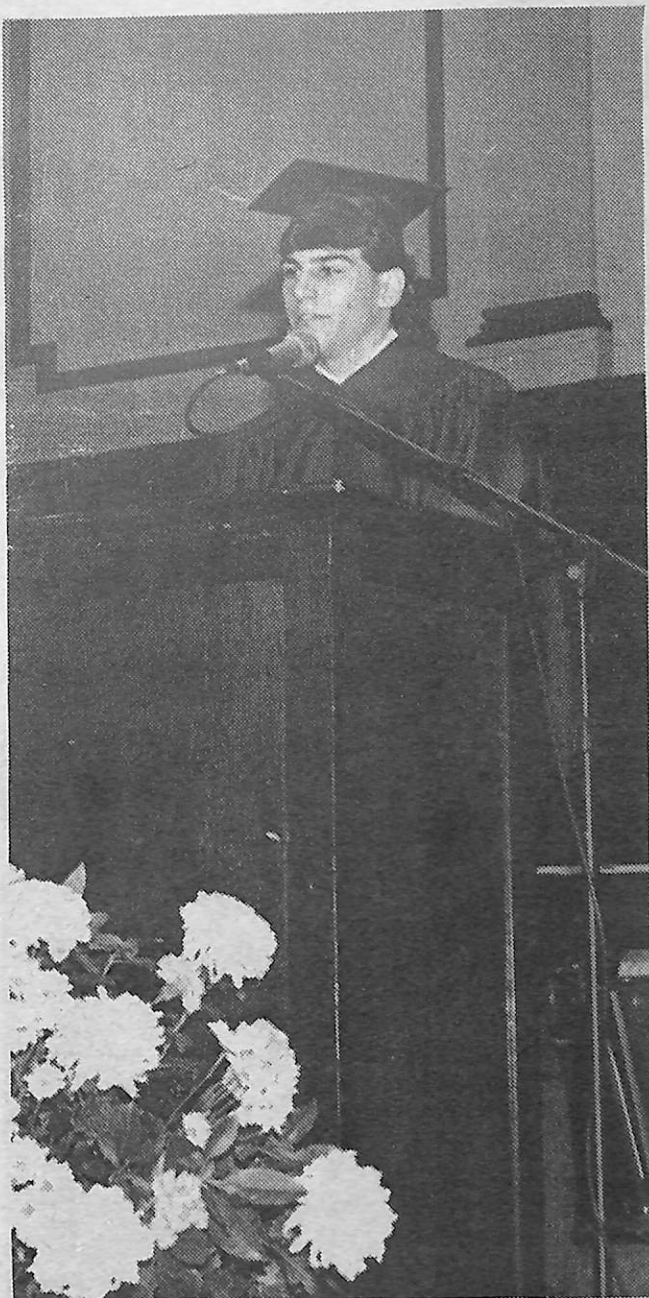
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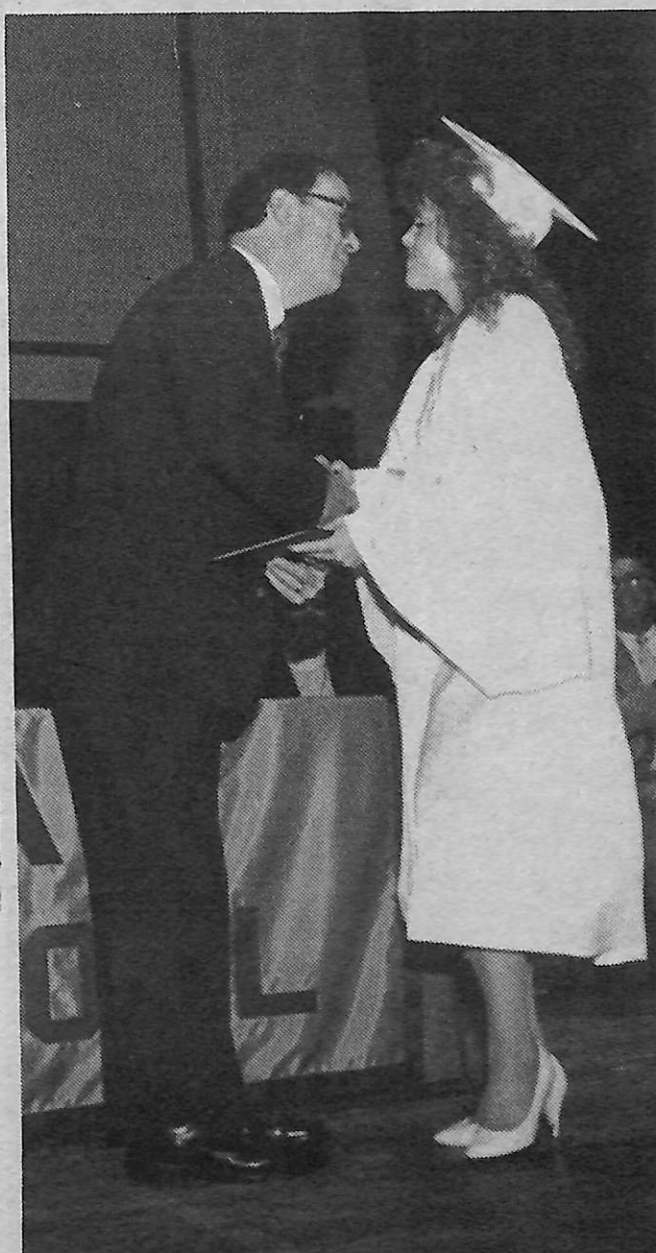


THIS YEAR'S JUNIOR CLASS MARSHALLS, Christina Morassi and Chris Brunelle, lead the Agawam High School Class of 1988 into Symphony Hall last Friday night. Advertiser News photos by Jeff Smith (left) and Jack Devine (right).



CLASS PRESIDENT Ricky Parolo addresses his classmates at last Friday's graduation exercises. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

**Congratulations
To All Members Of
The Agawam High
CLASS OF '88
Good Luck In
The Future**



DONNA CHAREST receives her diploma from her proud father, Associate Superintendent of Schools Donald Charest. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PRINCIPAL JOHN MORRISSEY calls the 1988 Commencement to order. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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"Pomp and Circumstance" Abounds At Classy 1988 AHS Commencement

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

Promptly at 7:00 p.m., Friday, June 10th, Agawam High School's graduation ceremonies began at a packed Symphony Hall in Springfield. The Agawam High and Junior High Concert Bands' music sounded clearly throughout Symphony Hall with Elgar's traditional "Pomp and Circumstance" processional as the Class of 1988 filled into the auditorium. The posh auditorium served as a perfect setting for what Principal John Morrissey called, "The most important day in the Agawam School System."

Hearts swelled with pride and eyes filled with tears as the 308 graduates, clad in their caps and gowns of white and dark brown, were seated to join hundreds of parents, teachers, and friends. Junior Marshalls Christopher Brunelle and Christina Morassi led the procession.

The Reverend Len Cowan gave the Invocation as the School Committee members (Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin, Vice Chairwoman Roberta Doering, Secretary Louis Massoia, Jr., Walter Balboni, David Cecchi, James Martone, and Timothy Murphy), Town Council President Donald Rheault, Reverend David Joyce (Benediction), Principal John Morrissey, Assistant Principals Mary Charest and David Bates, Superintendent James V. Bruno, Jr., Assistant Superintendent Donald Charest, and *Agawam Advertiser News* Publisher Richard Sardella sat on stage as invited guests.

Bruno spoke briefly to students prior to his presentation of speakers. He urged students to, "dedicate yourselves to the goal, or an ambition, to be honest, and to persevere and to strive to do the best you can."

"How you approach the next phase of your life is in your hands. Whatever path you follow can lead to your treasure—your pot of gold. So set your sights high," Bruno said.

In his salutatory address, Henry L. Kozloski said, "We went through a lot together. We laughed, we cried, we worked, we partied, but most of all—we're

finally out of here!"

Class President Ricky D. Parolo expressed his feelings during his address. "I consider the class of 1988 a family."

Class Valedictorian John R. Welch reflected on the remarkable success of the school's athletic teams during the past year, but reminded the audience that Agawam High's band, academic decathlon team, student newspaper, yearbook, and computer programming team have also excelled.

He called his fellow students "the most successful class to graduate from Agawam High School," and credited "excellent teachers and coaches, as well as hard work and perseverance."

The beauty of the occasion climaxed and emotions heightened as the Agawam High School Combined Chorus sang, "It's Time To Go" and "Like An Eagle" for the class and audience.

Several graduating members of the school's combined chorus, directed by faculty member Stephen Files, were crying during the performance, and several embraced following the moving performance.

Also, the band on-stage consisted of several former AHS graduates. The band was led by music instructor Scott Thomson, and Darcy Davis, director of Music, Agawam Schools.

School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin challenged the class "to be the individuals that you are" as she awarded the diplomas. AHS Assistant Principals Bates and Mrs. Charest assisted Mrs. Sandlin with the presentations.

She added, "Don't worry about failure. Worry about the chances you miss when you don't even try."

Directed by Darcy Davis, Scott Thomson, and Tamara Watson, the Recessional "Pomp and Chivalry" (played by the Concert Bands) echoed within as the graduates marched out of Symphony Hall onto their chosen paths in life.



SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS James V. Bruno, Jr., gives his niece, Sandy O'Keefe, a hug after she received her diploma. *Advertiser News* photo by Jack Devine.



SENIOR MELISSA TOWNE receives her diploma from School Committee members James Martone (left) and Walter Balboni at Symphony Hall, Friday, June 10th. *Advertiser News* photo by Jack Devine.



GINA BATTISTA receives her diploma from School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin. *Advertiser News* photo by Jack Devine.

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AMERICAN FIELD SERVICE (AFS) STUDENT Diana Salce from the Dominican Republic receives her diploma from School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



CHRIS DESPIRT received a rousing ovation from his classmates and those in attendance at Symphony Hall when School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin presented him with his degree. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AFS STUDENT Linda Thompson of Scotland receives her diploma from School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



LISA CONNERY receives her diploma from School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin at Symphony Hall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



PHIL BARRY receives his diploma from School Committee Chairwoman Rosemary Sandlin at Symphony Hall. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

GRADUATION '88 Second Annual Awards Night

For the second consecutive year, the evening presentation of AWARDS NIGHT replaced the daytime Mock Graduation for seniors receiving local scholarships, prizes, and awards.

Junior Marshalls Christopher Brunelle led the procession of 1988 seniors dressed in caps and gowns down the aisles of the Agawam High School auditorium on Tuesday, June 7th, to begin the event at 7 p.m.

Working parents, grandparents and friends expressed delight with the idea of the evening schedule in order to "be part of this proud occasion." The auditorium filled with smiling faces as Principal John Morrissey greeted guests and the honored seniors.

Many representatives from booster clubs, sports groups, civic and volunteer organizations in the community were on hand to present their scholarships to the students. Many of the Agawam High School faculty and staff also presented prizes and awards. There were numerous memorial fund scholarships included.

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James Edward Anderson, Jr., Philip David Barry, Alan Lee Boucher, Daniel W. Czepiel, Jr., Michael R. DiLullo, Michael S. Egan, Brett James Massoia, Frank Thomas Moccio, John James Patterson, Robert Stephen Regish and Peter Christopher Vecchiarelli.

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HOCKEY PARENTS SCHOLARSHIPS

Paul Joseph Karam, Ricky D. Parolo, and Denis Wayne Punch.

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Ricky D. Parolo and Denis Wayne Punch.

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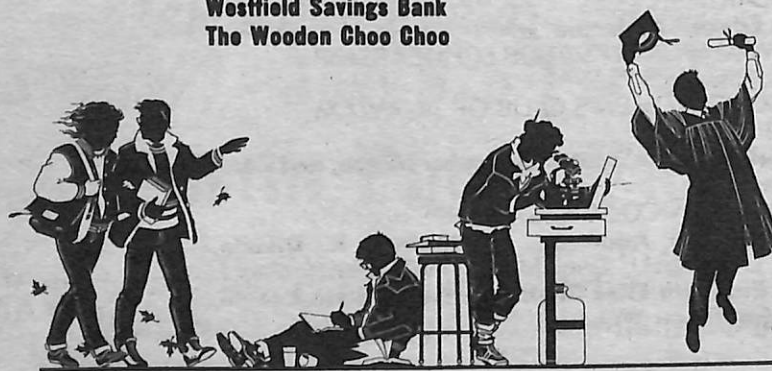
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Ollari, Elizabeth Ellen Regish, Anthony Mario Ronghi,

and John Robert Welch.

Agawam UNICO Names Piccolo, Scholarships



UNICO SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS receive their awards from club President Mike DeLucchi and committee Chairman Bill Mezzetti - Chris Ollari, Jim Anderson, Beth Regish, and John Welch. Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.



UNICO SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS at Scholarship Banquet pictured with President Mike DeLucchi (left) and committee Chairman Bill Mezzetti (right) - Anthony Ronghi, Gina Lewis, Henry Kozloski, and Mike DiLullo. Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.



AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR Thomas Cascio receives the prestigious "Brian Piccolo Award" from UNICO President Mike DeLucchi (left) and committee Chairman Nick Borrello. Advertiser News photo by Jeff Smith.

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Alexander Robert Kohli
 MR. "T" AWARD — IN MEMORY OF
 MR. DAVID THEODOROWICZ
Shawn M. Ciborowski
 NATIONAL SCHOOL CHORAL AWARD
Elisabeth Gina DePergola and Sean Devlin Welch
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Kimberly Ann Leask and Lynn Pandolfi
 WOODY HERMAN JAZZ AWARD
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 WORTHY SENIOR WHO PLANS A TEACHING
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Agawam High School Presents Award To Outstanding Student

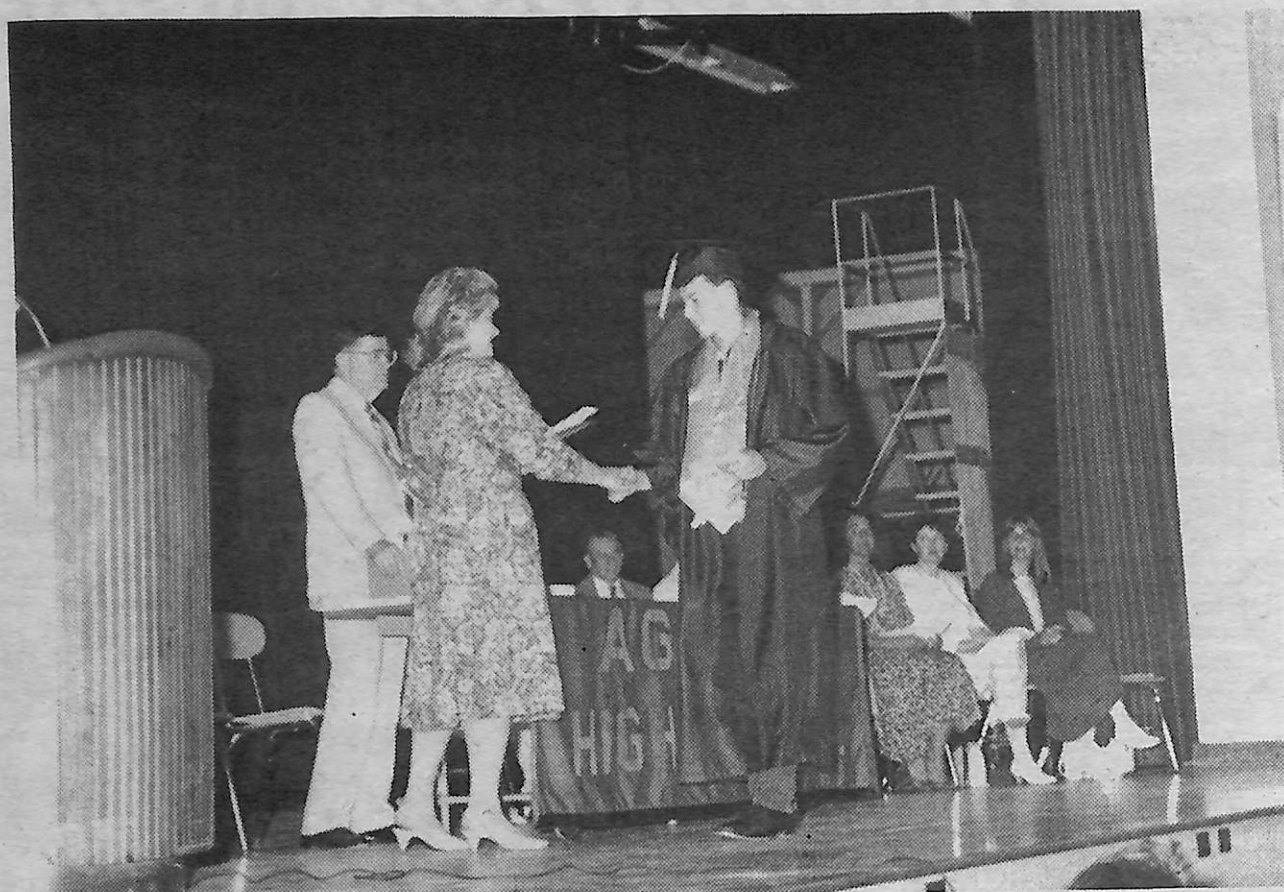
John R. Welch has been selected as the Outstanding
 Physics Student in Agawam High School.
 Mr. Arthur Gage presented him with a certificate
 from the American Association of Physics Teachers at
 an awards ceremony held June 2nd at Agawam High
 School.

John R. Welch is the son of John and Barbara Welch
 of 13 Nicole Terrace, Feeding Hills, MA. John will at-
 tend MIT next year and major in physics.

Shaun Foley Graduates From Bridgton Academy

Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Foley of River Road, Agawam,
 recently attended the graduation of their grandson,
 Shaun A. Foley, from Bridgton Academy in North
 Bridgton, Maine.

Shaun, whose parents are Arthur J. Jr. and Karen
 (Deziell) Foley, formerly of Agawam, will be attending
 Syracuse University in the fall. The Foleys reside in
 Stonington, Conn.



ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS MARY CHAREST and DAVID BATES were busy handing-out the many awards and scholarships at the Annual Awards Assembly at Agawam High School, Tuesday, June 7th. Award winners included Chris Ollari (top photo). Advertiser News photos by Jeff Smith.



Miss Deliso Graduate Of MacDuffie

Katherine Deliso, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Deliso of River Road was awarded a diploma at the ninety-eighth commencement of the MacDuffie School on Sunday, May 29th, at Trinity United Methodist Church in Springfield. The Class of 1988 listened attentively as Congressman Edward Boland spoke to them about their fine preparation at MacDuffie to enter a world of change. Students, parents and faculty enjoyed a reception on the lawn of the church following the ceremony. Katie has been active in community service projects sponsored by MacDuffie and was awarded a Community Service Award. She will attend The College of Our Lady of the Elms.

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THE 1987-88 YEARBOOK STAFF poses for a group picture at Harmon Smith Football Field. Photo courtesy of David Pulaski.

Sachem Yearbook Delights Seniors

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The creativity of Agawam High *Sachem 1988* staff and faculty advisor David Pulaski combined Madison Avenue's biggest advertising campaign (the dancing California raisins), and the "Brownies" name to make a great recipe entitled "The Flavor of Agawam" as this year's theme.

When the 1987 controversy over the Brownies' name ended in tradition winning out, *Sachem* staff seniors decided to encourage and heighten school spirit by cooking up a batch of tasty idioms for the Agawam Brownies to digest. In the spring of their junior year, the yearbook staff began decorating real fudge brownies with "Mr. Potato Head" features to develop their characters, but "this didn't work too well." Instead, their "Buddy Fred" was created from styrofoam as the Brownie mascot.

The custom cover of *Sachem 88* artwork by Mary Beth Ribeiro depicts dancing Brownies on stage and the prescribed theme under the red spoon symbolic of Betty Crocker. The words "Agawam Brownies, Sachem 1988" are also displayed.

Pulaski holds second place in New England for longevity in his position as AHS *Sachem* advisor - a position he has held for the past 20 years. At his home in Granville, he has a summer workshop each year for the *Sachem* staff to brainstorm in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

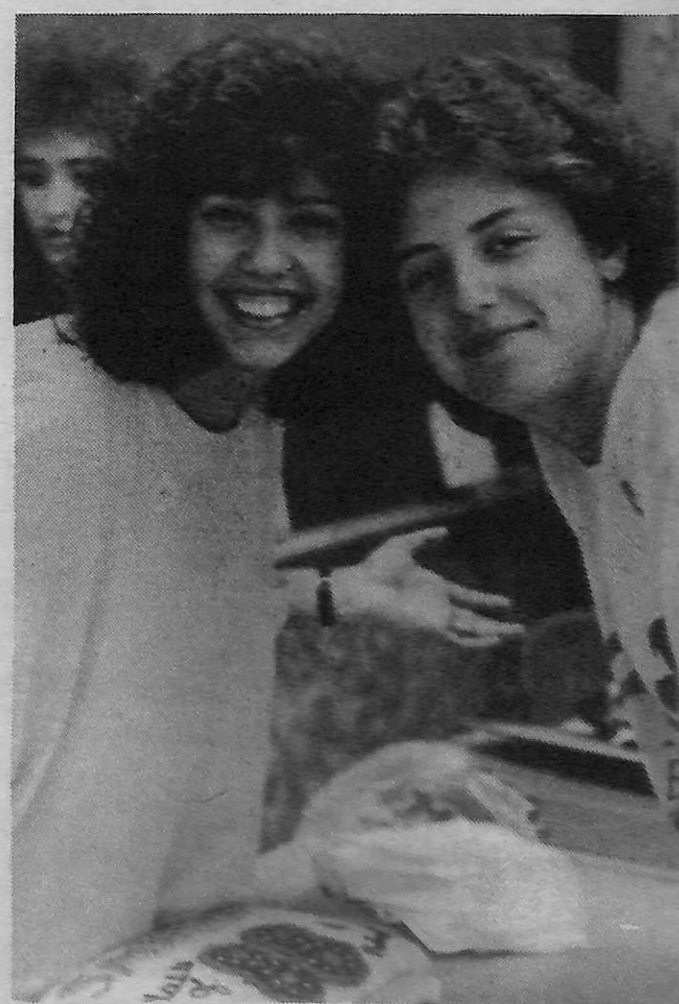
His constant enthusiasm and energetic nature are obviously contagious and a winning combination for a successful end product. He said, "We are proud of the fact that we're putting out a \$25-30 book at still only \$15 due to the hard-working advertising staff."

He continued, "We have an extremely high success rate for sales of the yearbook. Our purchases are well over 80%." He said that he sometimes questioned his sanity, but said that it was worth "the tears, the good times, and seeing the book for the first time."

He added, "We have full color for the seniors and include "their caption" under each picture. The seniors really love to be able to remark on their favorite 'hang-outs,' musical groups, or just say thanks to mom and dad under the personalized "caption," so this has remained."

Sachem '88 was made available to the "Brownie Supremes" (seniors) on June 1st. "Half-baked" (juniors) and "crumbs" (sophomores), as they are affectionately referred to in the book, received their copies June 16th. The wit, verse, memories, dedications, and candid shots make this yearbook a best seller for Agawam's number one Brownies.

The 28 members of the '87-88 *Sachem Yearbook* staff include: Lesley Pariseau, secretary to Pulaski; Anne Llewellyn, editor-in-chief; Lori Easton, layout/assistant editor; Amy Parkman, literary/assistant editor; Missy Barr, Kelly Piccoli, Karen Burrows, and Kim Bressem, layout staff; Missy Kamp, Deanna Longley, Jim Anderson, and Amy White, literary staff; Sandy O'Keefe, section editor; Shea Charles, Jodi Warren, and Tammy Strader, photography staff; Betsy Hernandez, section editor; Kim Hollinger, Carol Pignatone, Dina Tessicini, Gloria Trolio, and Cindy Jenks, advertising staff; Gina Battista and Diane Carpenter, business staff; Karen Wright, section editor; Mike DiLullo, Jeff Peterson, and Pete Vecchiarelli, sports staff.



KAREN BURROWS (layout) and Editor Anne Llewellyn with a cake Karen baked for Yearbook Advisor David Pulaski. Photo courtesy of David Pulaski.

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Three Years Of Memories At AHS For '88

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

For the past three years at Agawam High School, math instructor Marsha Bader has served in the capacity of advisor to the Class of 1988.

When the graduating seniors began 10th grade in 1985-86, Ms. Bader was asked to serve as sophomore advisor. Pete Vecchiarelli, president; Jim Lockwood, vice-president; Frank Moccio, treasurer; and Ginny Avis, secretary, were class officers that year.

In February and March 1986, the Class of 1988 held a fundraiser with assorted items sold from booklets, suggested and organized by Ms. Bader.

As junior advisor in 1986-1987, Ms. Bader assisted the students with an Austrian leaded crystal sale to raise funds in March and April (1987). Class officers that year were Jay Griffin, president; Jim Pirro, vice-president; Danielle Beaulieu, treasurer; and Anade Long, secretary. Miss Long no longer attends AHS.

As senior advisor, Ms. Bader began a Santa's Helpers, Gourmet Candies sale last September and October. "The fundraiser helps to underwrite the various functions and activities of the seniors. They must also pay class dues to attend some of the events," she said.

Class officers for the class of 1988 were: Rick Parolo, president; Jim Pirro, vice-president; Keith Juzba, treasurer; and Maureen Hersey, secretary.

On November 13th, seniors held an exclusive "Kid Party" for Halloween-type fun. Some of the costumes can be viewed in the *Sachem 1988*. The costumes are, to put it simply, outrageously hysterical!

On December 30th, seniors and their dates donned attire of quite a different nature to attend the semi-formal at Shaker Farms Country Club, in Westfield.

Senior Beach Day, April 15th, 1988, had graduates parading around AHS with colorful zinc noses and jams as if they were "headed for the shore." The only stipulation was no bathing suits, which could have been a little nippy this spring, anyway.

On April 21st, Chez Josef's Junior-Senior Prom reception line greeted the young ladies and gentlemen in formal attire for "an enchanted evening at the prom." Although this was not an affair strictly for the seniors, it most certainly was a memorable time for each graduate.

During school on May 18th and 19th, caps and gowns were distributed to the graduates in the AHS auditorium. On June 1st, seniors received their copies of the *Sachem Yearbook 1988*. This year's customized *Sachem* returned the pride and school spirit toward a positive focus on the traditional "Brownies" name controversy that peaked last year.

Five busses left the parking lot of AHS on June 2nd at approximately 4:00 p.m., to carry 220 seniors for the Class Picnic at High Meadows, Granby, Connecticut. When seniors arrived at the lovely grounds, hors d'oeuvres were set-up under one of the large pavilions and the High Meadows Recreation director organized games of volleyball, softball, etc., with the group.

There were olympic size pools, shuffle boards, tennis courts, and horseback riding to enjoy, too. The cost of the picnic was subsidized by the AHS Improvement Council and monies from the Class of '88 dues and fundraisers. The only "extra" expense was the horseback riding. The buffet consisted of various salads, chicken, pasta, and a grill burning ready to cook-up hot dogs and hamburgs upon request.

A disc-jockey played music until about 10:30 p.m., to finish-out the last day of school. On Friday, June 3rd, the Senior Breakfast was held at the Polish American Club, Feeding Hills, from 9:00 a.m. until noontime.

On Tuesday evening, June 7th, local scholarships, awards and prizes were presented to the graduates in the AHS auditorium during "Awards Night."

The final event, exclusively for the class of 1988, was at 7 p.m., on Friday, June 10th, at Symphony Hall, in Springfield. The seniors received their diplomas during graduation ceremonies to officially complete their high school activities and begin their adult lives.

Ms. Bader said, "I would like to say thank-you to all my kids who have helped me over the past three years. I hope I haven't forgotten anybody - it couldn't have been done without these kids."

"The kids who worked hard for their class for one, two and/or three years will be listed alphabetically."

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THE 1987-88 STAFF OF THE AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL "Sachem Yearbook, '88." Advisor David Pulaski is pictured in the back - middle. Photo courtesy of

Agawam High School Yearbook.



IN TOP PHOTO, Agawam High School Yearbook members Anne Llewellyn (editor), Miss Barr (layout), and Amy Parkman (layout) attend a conference at Western New England College. In photo below, Associate Editors Amy Parkman and Lori Easton work on "Brownies" theme with Editor Anne Llewellyn.

Photos courtesy of David Pulaski.



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Bob Benson (AIC), **Tina Book** (Fitchburg State), **Paul Devano, Jr.** (University of Lowell), **Laura Crzal** (Bay Path Junior College), **Chrissy Drew** (Worcester State), **Dawn Fournier** (H.C.C.), **Jim Hebert** (H.C.C.), **Maureen Hersey** (Endicott Junior College), **Samantha Impoco** (Westfield State), **Keith Juzba** (Becker Junior College), **George Lambouses** (H.C.C.), **Jim Lockwood** (AIC), **Tricia Marshall** (H.C.C.), **Frank Moccio** (U. Mass.), **Barbara Moreau** (Air Force), **Sandra O'Keefe** (Westfield State), **Jim Pirro** (Springfield College), **Mary Beth Ribeiro** (Southeastern Mass. Univ.), **Linda Rivera** (undecided), **Anthony Ronghi** (STCC), **Peter Vecchiarelli** (Western Connecticut State University), and **Amy White** (Springfield College).

Ms. Bader's hard work, dedication, advice and cheerful personality will certainly be remembered by the Class of '88.

Linda Iacolo Instrumental In Future Teachers

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

The Future Teachers of America Club scholarship at Agawam High School was presented to senior Linda Iacolo this year by its advisor, Dorothea Nardi.

Mrs. Nardi said, "Thanks to Linda's effort, the FTA club was re-activated this year. The club wishes to grow bigger and better next school year. We hope to triple our membership and train possible future teachers for one of America's most important professions."

Linda said, "I started the club hoping to prepare high school students who wanted to become teachers by hearing speakers, doing projects, and exchanging other ideas from students."

Linda has been a teacher's aide for the past 16 months at the Valley Community Day Care Center in Feeding Hills. She was also a recipient for one of Granger Elementary School's scholarships awarded this year. Next fall, Linda will attend Westfield State College.

The four core members of FTA this year included Linda, Judi Sweeney, Jennifer Clafin, and Chad Alechny. They heard six guest speakers from many fields of education. They also visited Westfield State College and were graciously received by Dean Peter Mazza, a Feeding Hills resident.

They engaged in volunteer teaching tasks and held a successful candy sale which raised funds for this "fundless club," according to Mrs. Nardi.

Linda is also the business editor for the literary AHS publication, *Unicorn*, and managing editor for the high school newspaper, *Mirror*.

She has been an office aide at the AHS administrative offices for the past two years.

ATTENDING THE SENIOR CLASS BREAKFAST, Friday, June 10th, at the Polish Club, were these many happy faces of the Agawam High School Class of 1988. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Agawam High Senior Class Officers



AGAWAM HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS - Keith Juzba, treasurer; Jim Pirro, vice-president; Maureen Hersey, secretary; and Ricky Parolo, president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Senior Class Breakfast At Polish Club



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Honor Students In AHS Class Of '88 Accepted At Many Fine Colleges & Universities

by Iris Copson
School Dept. Editor

On Friday, May 6th, at the Agawam Lions Club, Agawam High National Honor Society senior class members gathered for a "Parents Appreciation Dinner" and the junior induction ceremony.

AHS advisor for NHS, Joe Zabielski, reviewed the seniors are on National Honor Society. These students for proud parents, grandparents, and friends to share.

He said, "Collectively, 21 Agawam High School seniors' college acceptances and accomplishments really attained some good achievements. They know how to reach out for what they want and to work on their own for it."

He told the audience that NHS President **Joe Kosinski** will attend Providence College and was accepted at The University of Massachusetts. Kosinski was also contacted by Notre Dame, Holy Cross, and Boston University and put on their waiting list. "Basically, they offered Joe a free ride," said Zabielski.

Kosinski will major in pre-med and biology. He received an army ROTC scholarship and financial aid up to two thirds cost of his tuition at Providence.

Rick Brown, NHS vice-president, will attend Babson College and major in management. He received over half the cost in financial assistance.

NHS treasurer and *Sachem* editor, Anne Llewellyn, was accepted at three colleges. She was undecided about the University of Vermont at the time of the banquet, but had a tentative financial package waiting for all but \$1,000 of the cost.

NHS secretary Lisa Connery was accepted at Northeastern (her choice) and two other colleges. She will major in language for internal affairs and business. She received one third the cost in a financial package.

Christopher Ollari is waiting for his financial package, but he applied to Yale, Holy Cross, Trinity, U-Mass., and Tufts. He was accepted at all five colleges. He will major in pre-med at Yale.

During the NHS dinner, Zabielski said, "Chris is the first student at Agawam High in the last 20 years to get accepted to Yale."

NHS member Jeff MacKechne will be attending Eastman School of Music and was accepted at three other colleges. He will major in music and has received a two-thirds financial package. Zabielski said, "This is the 'Harvard' of music colleges."

John Welch will attend M.I.T. as a physics major and was also accepted at Cornell University, R.P.I., W.P.I., and U-Mass. He received half the cost in scholarships and grants.

Henry Kozloski will attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute to major in industrial and management engineering. He received more than half the tuition in financial aid and scholarships.

Robert Dintzner, who will major in creative writing,

received a college work-study and loan for more than half the cost at Emerson College in Boston.

Rick Pryce will major in marketing at Bryant College. He received over two-thirds tuition in a financial package.

Elizabeth DePergola was accepted at Emerson College and will major in dance.

Kris Candido is waiting to hear from U-Mass about a financial package. Her major will be business management.

Beth Regish, editor-in-chief of the *AHS Mirror*, will attend Mount Holyoke College and major in English. She received more than half the cost in financial aid.

Frank Moccio was accepted at four colleges and will attend U-Mass, majoring in mechanical engineering. He received one third the cost in financial assistance.

Alex Kohli will attend Syracuse University. This was his choice from the two colleges he was accepted at. He will major in visual communications (film emphasis) and receive over half in assistance.

Frank Windoloski applied to three colleges and was accepted at each. He will attend Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and major in physics. He has a financial package of two thirds the cost.

Kristin Stone was accepted at the University of New Hampshire and at Salem State. She will attend UNH and will major in psychology. She is waiting to hear on her financial package.

Jim Anderson was accepted at Holy Cross, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, U-Mass., and, his choice, at Wesleyan University. He will major in biology and pre-med and has received one third in financial aid.

David Ziegert is working on his financial package to attend the University of Massachusetts School of Business Management. He was also accepted at Western New England College.

Karen Wright will attend Quinnipiac College and has received a financial package for one third the cost.

The qualities of scholarship, service, leadership, and character expected from National Honor Society has reached fulfillment in each of the members from the class of 1988. They have already begun to execute decision-making skills to structure the successful future of their lives within society, according to Zabielski.

The growth process which has taken place physically, scholastically, emotionally, and spiritually throughout the school years will create a great sense of pride and self-worth to the students individually motivated to complete their goals, he added.

Our community sends their heartiest congratulations to each of these deserving young adults.



CHRISTIE J. GAUDREAU

Christie J. Gaudreau Honored By Cathedral High School

Christie J. Gaudreau, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Richard E. Gaudreau of 38 Debra Lane, Agawam, has been honored by Cathedral High School in receiving a thirteen year perfect attendance award. Christie attended Benjamin J. Phelps School for six years, St. Thomas School in West Springfield for three years and then Cathedral. An award was presented June 3rd at graduation ceremonies at the Civic Center in Springfield.

Christie will be attending Our Lady of the Elms College in Chicopee in the fall as a resident student majoring in elementary education.

Congratulations Christie for such a marvelous feat!

Agawam Students Receive Presidential Academic Fitness Awards

Presidential Academic Fitness Awards have been presented to 84 seniors at Cathedral High School. According to Sr. Patricia James, Principal, this constitutes the largest number of Cathedral students to be honored since the national award's inception five years ago.

To be considered for the Academic Fitness Award students must have a B plus average and score above the 85th percentile on the Scholastic Aptitude Test.

Among the recipients from Agawam are **Paul Foley, Allyson Murphy** and **Karen Placzek**. Recipients from Feeding Hills include **Yvonne Goucher, Katrina Jones, Christine Phaneuf** and **Carrie Vivenzio**.

The students received their awards during the annual Senior Assembly on their last day of classes May 20th.

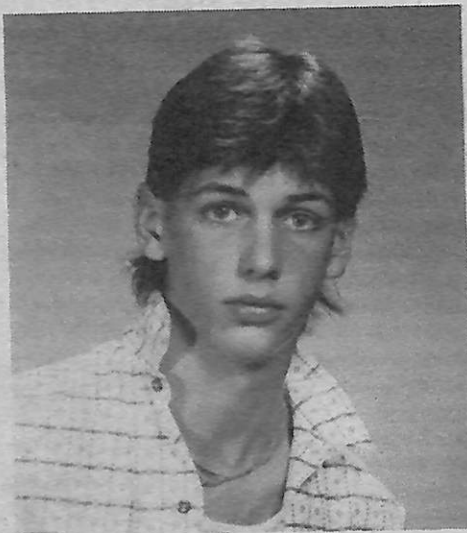
AAA Scholarships To Graduating Seniors

The Agawam Athletic Association's President Daniel Lacienski has presented 16 scholarships to Agawam High School students and also 1 scholarship to a graduating Cathedral High School student.

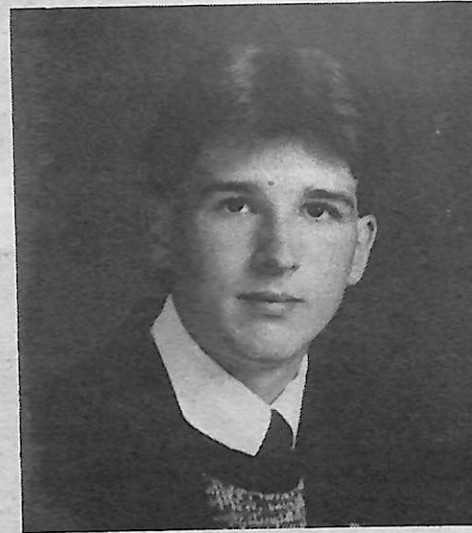
The award winners of the three special scholarships were: Mark Lacienski, "Gerald J. Mason Award" (Mason was the founder and long-time president of the AAA); Maureen Hersey, the "Phyllis Mason Award" (Mrs. Mason served as secretary of the AAA and was a co-founder of the organization); James Anderson, Jr.; the "Nicholas Lasky Award" (named after the former AAA coach and supporter who passed away).

General scholarship award winners were: Phil Barry, Eric Brown, Jason Ferris, James Hebert, Joseph Kosinski, Henry Kozloski, Christina Letellier, James Lockwood, Allyson Murphy, Jeff Peterson, Kelly Piccoli, James Pirro, Christopher Provost, and Michael Wojcik.

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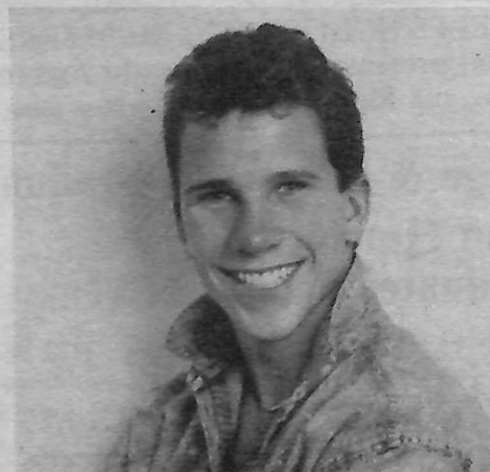
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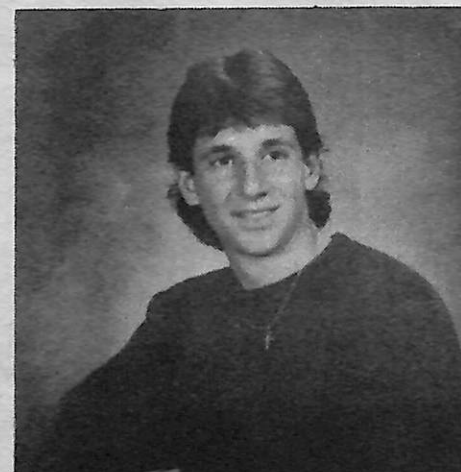
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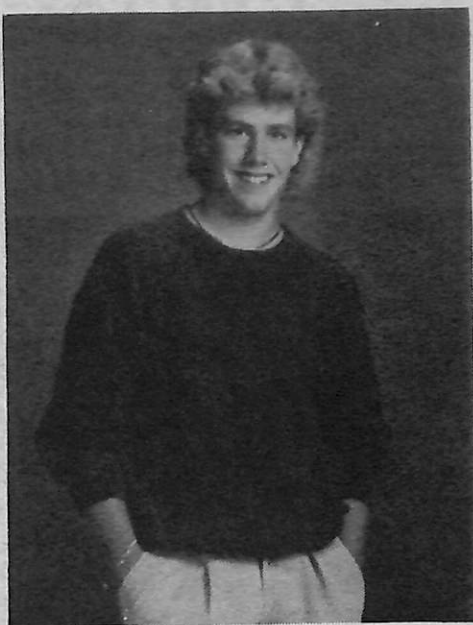


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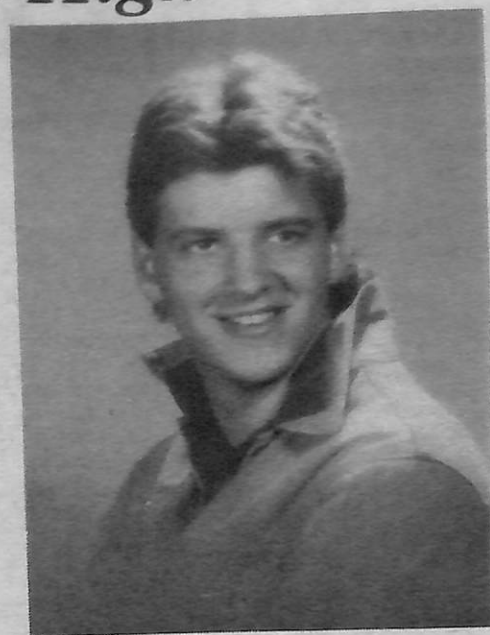
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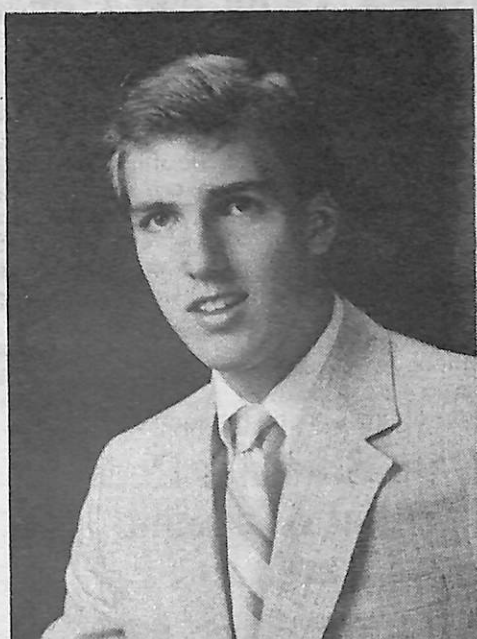
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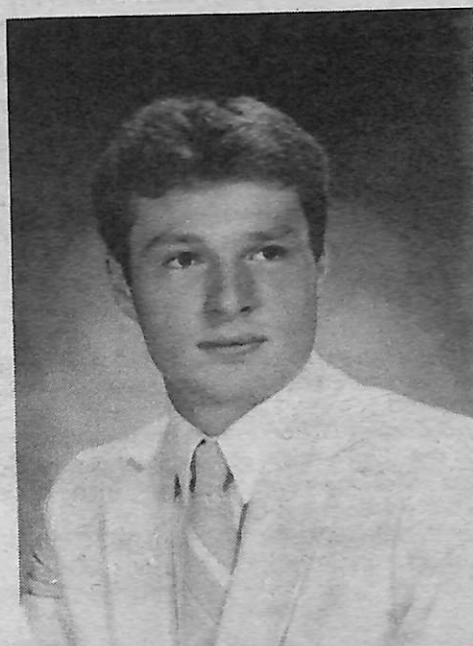
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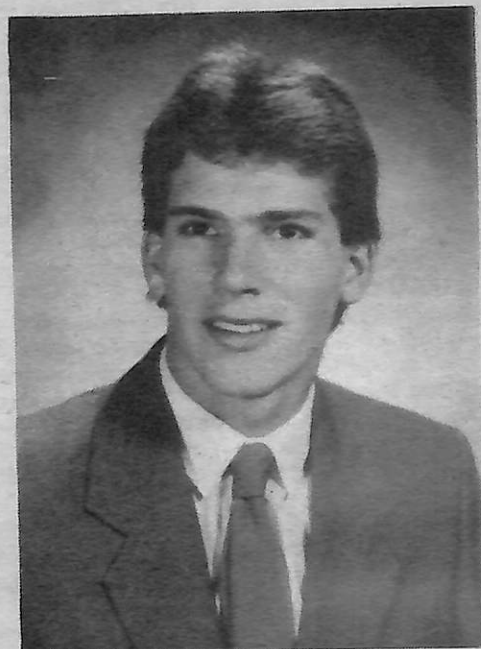
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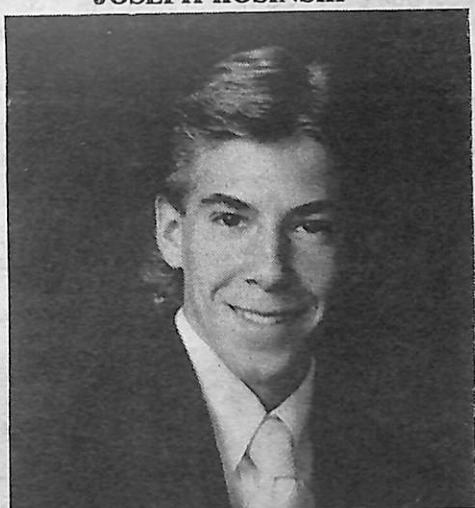
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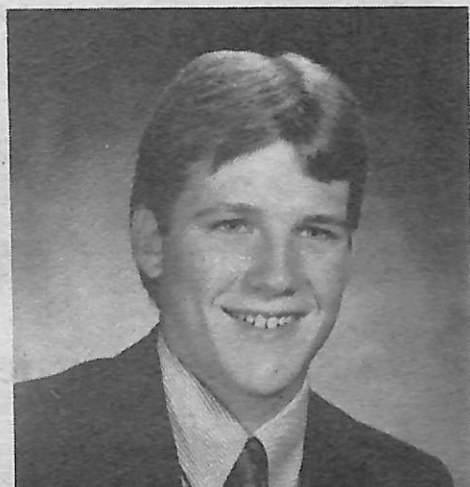
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Phelps School PTO Scholarship Winners



PHELPS SCHOOL PTO MEMBERS Gail Beaulieu, Louis David (left) and Ann Boskiewicz (right) presented scholarships to Agawam High seniors Mike Nofall, Jackie Shugart, Kirsti Duni, and Rick Brown. Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Ramona Monkiewicz Graduates From WNE

Ramona M. Monkiewicz of Agawam recently received her Master's Degree in Management Information Systems from Western New England College. She received her B.A. in Master of Business Administration from Western New England College in 1984.

Ramona, who originally resided in Denver, Colorado, resides in Agawam with her daughter, Michelle.

College & University Graduations

Allan Hutchinson Graduates From STCC

Allan Hutchinson graduated from STCC recently with a degree in Medical Laboratory Technician. He received an award for academic and clinical excellence. He also received highest honors.

Allan lives on Springfield Street with his wife, Maria, and is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Hutchinson of North Street.

Feeding Hills Residents Earn Master's Degrees

The Hartford Graduate Center, affiliated with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, NY, is pleased to announce the following individuals have a Master of Science degree: Ronald D. Binder (MS), and Gary J. Masciadrelli (MS), of Feeding Hills, Massachusetts.

Graduation '88 - colleges & universities

Elms College Graduates Locals

Deborah Morassi, daughter of John and Rosalie Morassi, 550 Cooper Street, Agawam, received the degree of bachelor of arts at Elms College, Sunday, May 22nd, at one o'clock in the College Quadrangle.

A graduate of Agawam High School, Ms. Morassi majored in education at Elms College. She has served as co-president of the college chapter of the American Chemical Society.

Roxann M. Polak, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Polak, 35 Karen Drive, Agawam, received the degree of bachelor of science.

Also a graduate of Agawam High School, Ms. Polak majored in nursing. She has served as a resident advisor and a member of the judicial board, and was orientation chairperson in 1986.

Marie Cyr of 35 Mallard Circle, Agawam, received the degree of bachelor of science in nursing.

Joyce Stoll, 70 Stewart Lane, Agawam, received the degree of bachelor of arts with a major in business. She was named to membership in Delta Epsilon Sigma and Alpha Sigma Lambda, national honor societies.

Felicia Rondinelli, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Rondinelli, 28 Homestead Street, Agawam, received the degree of bachelor of science at commencement exercises.

A graduate of Agawam High School, Ms. Rondinelli majored in nursing at Elms College.

She has been named to membership in Who's Who Among Students in Universities and Colleges.

Ms. Rondinelli has been a member of the Judicial Board and has taken part in the resident advisor program and orientation.

Elizabeth Teahan, daughter of Atty. and Mrs. John J. Teahan, 55 Florida Drive, Agawam, received the degree of bachelor of arts.

A graduate of Cathedral High School, Ms. Teahan majored in education at Elms College.

Ms. Teahan is the recipient of the Monsignor Viau Philosophy Award for distinguished studies in that subject.

Founded in 1928, Elms College is a four-year Catholic college for women which offers liberal arts and professional programs.



LAURA CARRIE



ELIZABETH CARRIE

Carrie Sisters Graduate College

Laura Carrie is graduating from Western New England College. She is a psychology major. She is planning to go for her Master's Degree.

Elizabeth is graduating from Bay Path Junior College as an Executive Assistant. She is now employed by Robert Carrie Mason Contractors, Inc.

Cathy Sheehan Graduates From Providence College

Cathy Sheehan, daughter of Lawrence and Patricia Sheehan of 42 Tracy Drive, Agawam, graduated with honors (cum laude) from Providence College, Providence, R.I. the weekend of May 21st. She majored in Spanish and the humanities and has a 3.3 average. She made the dean's list several times during her 4 years at the college. She also minored in Russian language and business.

Cathy is on the Spanish Honor Society, Sigma Delta Pi, and was honored for this achievement during graduation exercises.

She has a brother, Patrick, who graduated from Providence College as a business major in 1986, and a sister, Abbie-Jean, who is a sophomore at Providence College majoring in English.

Bay Path Graduates Agawam And Feeding Hills Residents

Miss Lori A. Ehresman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Ehresman of Brookline Avenue, Feeding Hills, received an Associate in Science degree Summa cum Laude from Bay Path Junior College during Commencement Exercises held Saturday, May 14th. She was enrolled in the Fashion Merchandising and Retailing Program. Miss Ehresman received the President's Citation for maintaining dean's list standing for all four semesters of her college career.

Miss Rosella Marie Cloutier, daughter of Mrs. Darlene M. Cloutier of Mallard Circle, Agawam, and Dennis C. Cloutier of Springfield, received an Associate in Science degree in the Business Administration Program. Miss Cloutier was named to the dean's list for her final semester at Bay Path.

Miss Barbara S. LeClaire, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John L. LeClaire of Coronet Circle, Feeding Hills, received an Associate in Science degree in the Executive Assistant Program.

Miss Darlene D. Perry, daughter of Mrs. Cosette O. Perry of Pheasant Hill Drive, Feeding Hills, and Arthur G. Perry, received an Associate in Science degree. She was enrolled in the Fashion Merchandising and Retailing Program.

Miss Nora Marie Lloyd, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert F. Lloyd of Robin Ridge Drive, Feeding Hills, received an Associate in Science degree. Nora was enrolled in the Business Administration Program.

Miss Karen S. Sanderson, daughter of Mrs. Betsy D. Sanderson of Main Street, Agawam, received an Associate in Science degree. She was enrolled in the Accounting Program.

These graduates were among 260 women granted degrees by the College this year.

Karen Wesley Graduates Framingham State College

Karen Wesley of 40 Provin Mountain Road, Feeding Hills, is a 1988 graduate of Framingham State College. The college's 148th commencement ceremony was held Sunday, May 22nd, at 2 p.m. on the Village Green, Framingham Center. College President Dr. Paul F. Weller presided. The Honorable William Bulger (D-Boston, First Suffolk District) was the keynote speaker.

A member of the Massachusetts Senate since 1971 and its president since 1979, Senator Bulger is a graduate of Boston College Law School and past president of the Boston College Law School Alumni Association. He was awarded the first Father William J. Kenealy Award for Outstanding Alumnus of Boston College Law School in 1979.

An avid supporter of library programs and public education, he is a member of the board of trustees of the Boston Public Library. The sponsor of numerous bills, Senator Bulger particularly is known for legislation to curb child abuse; to establish marine sanctuaries off the Massachusetts coast; and to organize the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority.

During Framingham State College's commencement ceremony, Senator Bulger was conferred an honorary degree, Doctor of Laws (LL.D.). He holds several other honorary degrees from colleges and universities in New England.

Other honorary degree recipients included former Framingham State College Dean of Women, Dorothy Larned of Winchester, Doctor of Science (Sc. D.); Dr. John E. Burke of Framingham, Doctor of Humane Letters (L.H.D.); and Josephine Buckley Fair of Natick, Doctor of Humane Letters (L.H.D.).

Carolyn Rosner Graduates From New Hampshire College

Carolyn Rosner, daughter of George and Nancy Rosner of Lawnwood Street, Agawam, has completed her Bachelor of Science degree in Business Communications at New Hampshire College, a small, private business college located in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Throughout her four years, Carolyn was very active at New Hampshire College as a member of the varsity tennis team and the Student Government Association, as well as the staff artist for the Student Activities Department, all the while maintaining above a 3.5 scholastic average. In the fall semester of her senior year she took the opportunity to study in Britain at the Polytechnic of North London.

Carolyn is currently a freelance illustrator and cartoonist and hopes to pursue a career in visual communication at a magazine or advertising agency in the Boston or New York areas.

University Of Mass. Commencement

Celebrating its 125th birthday this year, the University of Massachusetts awarded 4,661 bachelor's degrees and honored the achievements of seven men and women in the fields of science, education, government, business and the arts at Commencement ceremonies on Sunday, May 22nd at 10 a.m.

Agawam and Feeding Hills students receiving degrees were: Eugene M. Arsenault, Jr. of 44 Ley St., BS Arts & Sciences; Marilyn May Beck, 907 Main Street, BBA Business Administration; Mary L. Bracci, 853 Silver Street, BA Arts & Sciences; Andrea Lynn Donabed, 61 Pineview Circle, Bachelor of Fine Arts; Scott A. Gutstein, 13 Beekman Place, BA Arts & Sciences; Anthony Peter Liquori, 658 Cooper Street, Bachelor of Fine Arts; Jeffrey T. Vandergrift, 119 High Street, BS Food & Natural Res; Victor A. Carra, 24 South West Street, BA Arts & Sciences; David R. Lyne Jr., 48 Robin Ridge Drive, BS Electrical Engineer; Erik V. Meunier, 183 Park Edge Drive, BS Arts & Sciences; Jacques M. Raby, 140 Robin Ridge Drive, BS Electrical Engineer; and Marwan S. Zubi, 62 Pleasant Valley Drive, BA Arts & Sciences.

Best-selling author Paul Theroux, Class of 1963, received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree and delivered the Commencement address at Warren McGuirk Alumni Stadium.

Honorary degrees were conferred upon Maxwell Henry Goldberg ('28), Emeritus Commonwealth Professor of Humanities; Gordon N. Oakes, Jr. ('63), President, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer of Monarch Capital Corp.; and the U.S. Ambassador to Sierra Leone, West Africa, Cynthia Shepard Percy ('72).

Also receiving honorary degrees were U.S. Senator Claiborne Pell; President of Mount Holyoke College, Elizabeth Topham Kennan; and internationally renowned archeologist Mary Leakey.

James J. Maloney, Jr. Named To Dean's List

James J. Maloney, Jr. of 35 Lealand Avenue, a full-time undergraduate student at Quinnipiac College, has been named to the Dean's Honor List for the recently completed spring semester.

The private college, with separate school of Allied Health and Natural Sciences, Business, and Liberal Arts, and a Division of Continuing Education, enrolls 2,000 full-time and 1,000 part-time students in its associate, bachelor's and master's degree programs.

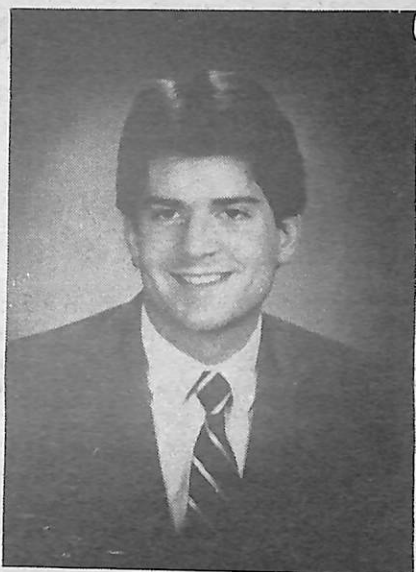
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Barbara Wojciechowski Joseph J. Colligan Award

Nearly one hundred outstanding students at Springfield Technical Community College were recognized with scholarships and awards at the annual Honors Convocation ceremony held recently at the local College, according to STCC President Andrew M. Scibelli. This is the first year that the ceremony was held on campus, taking place in the theater in the new Anthony M. Scibelli Hall.

The awards are given to recognize exceptional accomplishment in varying areas of academic, co-curricular, community service, and personal achievements. Recipients were selected by the Scholarship and Awards Committee, composed of faculty and staff, and co-chaired by Julian Tenczar of the Electrical Technology Department, and Daniel Hebert of Law Enforcement/Criminal Justice.

The Joseph J. Cooligan award is presented annually in memory of the man who served as chairman and member of the STCC Advisory Board from 1967 to 1981. This monetary award is presented to a graduating student who best emulates Mr. Cooligan's warmth, caring and community involvement. **Barbara Ann Wojciechowski of Agawam**, graduating from the Liberal Arts Transfer program, is the 1988 recipient of the Cooligan award. The 1986-87 Student Government President, Ms. Wojciechowski was on the Dean's List from 1985 to 1987, and has participated in several College committees, including serving as the student representative to the All-College Council. She is also the recipient of an STCC Co-Curricular Scholarship, awarded each year to a student who has demonstrated leadership in involvement with co-curricular activities at STCC, while maintaining a very respectable academic record.



JAMES K. BODURTHA

James K. Bodurtha Awarded Juris Doctor From W.N.E.

James K. Bodurtha was recently awarded a Juris Doctor degree from Western New England College School of Law. Mr. Bodurtha, who graduated Cum Laude, has taken a position with the Springfield law firm of Robinson Donovan Madden and Barry, P.C. The son of Mr. and Mrs. John Bodurtha of 83 Harvey Johnson Drive, Mr. Bodurtha resides in West Springfield with his wife Deborah.



KENNETH A. QUIGLEY

Kenneth A. Quigley Receives Bachelor Of Science

Kenneth A. Quigley, son of Margaret Quigley, Agawam, and Robert Quigley, Westfield, graduated April 29th, 1988, from Florida International University, Miami, Florida with a Bachelor of Science in Architectural Technology.



DENISE BOURBONNAIS

Denise Bourbonnais Graduates Magna Cum Laude

Denise M. Bourbonnais, daughter of Michael and Elaine Bourbonnais, of 78 Tina Lane, Feeding Hills, graduated magna cum laude from Westfield State College on May 20th at the Springfield Civic Center.

Denise graduated first in her mass communication major. During her college career she obtained Dean's List status with a final grade point average of 3.67. She received the Academic Excellence Award and Student Senate Award. She was also appointed to Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities, the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society, and the Emerson Davis Society of Westfield State College.

Denise served as Chairman of the Student Senate Publicity Committee and Vice President of the Commuter Council. She plans on attending Western New England College School of Law in the fall.

Gina Buoniconti Earns Bachelor Of Science Degree

Gina Buoniconti, a high school graduate of The Ethel Walker School in Simsbury, Connecticut, was awarded the Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology during the 184th Commencement ceremonies held May 21st, 1988 at the University of Vermont.

A resident of Agawam, Massachusetts, she is the daughter of Anthony and Peggy Buoniconti of 13 Holland Drive, Agawam, Massachusetts.

Some 2,580 students were awarded undergraduate, graduate, and medical degrees during Commencement ceremonies.

Gina will go on to Springfield College in Springfield, MA to work on a master's degree in marriage and family therapy this fall.

The University of Vermont was founded in 1791 and is the oldest and largest institution of higher education in Vermont. There are currently 8,100 undergraduates who are offered 200 majors in colleges and schools of agriculture, arts and sciences, education and social services, engineering, mathematics and business administration, natural resources, nursing and allied health sciences.

The Graduate College offers 63 master's degree programs and 16 programs leading to doctorate degrees. The College of Medicine graduates about 98 new physicians annually.

Jay S. Tilman Named To Bates College Dean's List

Five hundred fifteen of 1,498 Bates College, Lewiston, Maine, students have been named to the Dean's List as a result of their scholastic standing during the second semester of the 1987-88 college year. Eleven students attained a quality point ratio of 4.0, receiving a straight "A" average for the semester.

To qualify for the Dean's List at Bates, a student must maintain a better than "B" average for the semester, for a minimum quality point ratio of 3.2.

Students named to the Dean's List by James W. Carignan, dean of the college, are:

From Agawam: **Jay S. Tillman**, Class of 1988, son of Gloria Tillman.

Sharon Walsh Graduates From Bentley College

Sharon A. Walsh of 139 Pineview Circle, Agawam, graduated May 14th from Bentley College with a BS in Accountancy.

Economist Martin Feldstein told graduates at Bentley College's 69th Commencement exercises that painful lessons taught to America by foreign competitors this decade must prompt a renewed commitment to "excellence and effort" — not protectionist policies.

Americans must emulate their foreign competitors, who "succeeded because they rejected producing what was merely 'good enough' and worked instead to achieve higher and higher standards of excellence," said Feldstein, President Reagan's chief economic advisor from 1982 to 1984.

"You and I live in an affluent age in which it is possible to get by while doing what is merely 'good enough,'" said the Harvard professor and president of the non-profit National Bureau of Economic Research. "But that would be wrong for us as individuals, just as it would be wrong for the United States as a nation."

Feldstein was awarded an honorary doctor of commercial science degree by Bentley College. An honorary doctor of laws degree was presented to the Rev. Leon H. Sullivan, a leader in the fight against apartheid and author of the code of conduct for companies doing business in South Africa. *Boston Globe* publisher and chairman William O. Taylor received an honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

The college awarded 1,054 undergraduate and 366 graduate degrees.

Karen Albano Graduates & Receives Fellowship

Agawam resident Karen M. Albano received her bachelor of arts degree with honors in English and honors in general scholarship at Trinity College's 162nd Commencement exercises on Sunday, May 22nd.

Albano, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas M. Albano of Agawam, also was awarded the Mary A. Terry Fellowship from Trinity College. The Terry Fellowship provides \$1,800 a year for each of two years of graduate study in the arts or sciences.

Albano, who intends to study English literature on the graduate level, consistently earned Faculty Honors during her undergraduate career and was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa scholastic honor society. Her numerous awards included the National Collegiate English Award, the Academic All-American Award and the 1988 John Dando Prize.

Trinity College conferred bachelor's degrees on 487 students at the May 22nd ceremony.

Kimberly Corriveau Named Alumni Scholar

Kimberly A. Corriveau, daughter of Winford and Arlene Corriveau of Pineview Circle, Agawam, has been named an Alumni Scholar by the University of Massachusetts.

Alumni Scholars receive a \$750 scholarship from the University Alumni Association. The 60 juniors chosen for the award are recommended by their deans and selected by a special committee of the Alumni Association. In order to qualify, a student must have a grade point average of at least 3.5 on a 4 point scale and have completed 60 credits in residence.

Corriveau is majoring in communication disorders at the University of Massachusetts. She is a graduate of Agawam High School.

Daniel Toth Awarded Juris Doctor Degree

Daniel Joseph Toth of Country Road in Agawam was among the law students awarded a juris doctor degree by the Western New England College School of Law.

Toth received a bachelor of science in business administration degree from the American International College in 1984.

Western New England College School of Law is the only Massachusetts law school outside the Greater Boston area and serves over 800 students.

Michelle St. Pierre Graduates From American International

Michelle Marie St. Pierre, daughter of Trudy A. St. Pierre and the late Roland O. St. Pierre, of 220 Leonard Street, Agawam received a Degree of Bachelor of Science in Nursing from American International College on Sunday, May 22nd, 1988.

Michelle graduated with honors Magna Cum Laude and will be working for Mercy Hospital in the Intensive Care Unit.

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LISA M. BRUNO

Lisa M. Bruno Graduates From Becker Junior College

Southwick: Miss Lisa Marie Bruno, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. James Bruno, Jr., of 74 Tannery Road, Southwick, graduated Sunday, May 22nd, from Becker Junior College, Worcester. Lisa is a 1986 graduate of Southwick High.

Commencement exercises were held at the Worcester Memorial Auditorium on the occasion of the 101st anniversary of the college.

Miss Bruno was a member of the school's first graduating class in the Hotel/Restaurant Management program, and has received an associate in science degree in that field.

She was recently named to the school's Dean's List. Miss Bruno has secured a position with the Tara Hotel chain in Hyannis, Cape Cod.

Ramona Monkiewicz Earns Master's Degree From W.N.E.

Ramona M. Monkiewicz of Agawam was among the undergraduate and graduate students awarded degrees by Western New England.

Monkiewicz, the daughter of John and Rachel Monkiewicz of Scherpa Street, received a Master of Business Administration in Management Information Systems.

Western New England College, a private, coeducational institution located on a 120-acre suburban campus, serves more than 6,500 full-time and part-time students each year with undergraduate and graduate programs in its Schools of Arts and Sciences, Business, Engineering, and Law.

Kathleen Bousquet Graduates From AIC Magna Cum Laude

Kathleen A. Bousquet of 11 Conifer Drive, Agawam, recently graduated magna cum laude from American International College with a bachelor of science degree in Business Education.

Sharing in her celebration were her husband, Dennis, and children, Bobby and Chrissie.

Kathleen is the daughter of the late Robert & Terry Carney of Agawam. She will be continuing on to graduate school at AIC in September.

Lynne A. Ziegert Attains Dean's List At Roger Williams

Lynne A. Ziegert of 51 Wrenwood Lane, Agawam, has been named to the Dean's List at Roger Williams College, Bristol, Rhode Island, for the spring semester.



ANTHONY J. NATALE, JR.

Anthony J. Natale, Jr. Graduates From Bentley

Anthony J. Natale, Jr., son of Anthony Natale and grandson of Vickie Natale, graduated May 14th from Bentley College with a Bachelor of Science in Accounting and an Associate Science in Management.

He will be joining J.G. Hodgson & Co., Inc. as a full-time staff accountant in New Bedford, Mass.

Lisa Letendre Graduates North Adams State College

Lisa M. Letendre of 56 Coronet Circle, Feeding Hills, daughter of Richard and Susan Letendre, received a B.A. in English/Communication from North Adams State College.

Miss Letendre, a 1984 graduate of Agawam High School, participated in several extra-curricular activities at North Adams. She was a lifeguard for the campus center pool, an intramural water sports supervisor, active in intramural sports and a member and president of the Television Production Club.

Tony Kunasek Attains Dean's List At A.I.C.

Tony Kunasek has attained Dean's List honors at American International College, Springfield, for the sixth consecutive time.

He is a member of the prestigious Alpha Chi's, and is majoring in criminal justice with a psychology minor.

A 1985 graduate of Agawam High School, he is the son of Louise and the late David G. Kunasek.

Mary Taupier-Beaulieu Awarded Doctor Of Optometry

Mary Taupier-Beaulieu, daughter of Edward & Theresa Taupier, Feeding Hills, MA, was recently awarded the Doctor of Optometry degree from The New England College of Optometry, Boston.

Taupier-Beaulieu majored in biology at American International College, Springfield, MA, and was awarded the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1984. Taupier-Beaulieu is also a 1980 graduate of Agawam High School.

Bachelor Of Science Degrees Awarded At W.N.E.

Two area residents were among the 700 undergraduate, and graduate students recently awarded degrees by Western New England College.

Stephen Fisher of Northwood Street in Feeding Hills and Patricia A. Wojcik of Sycamore Terrace in Agawam received bachelor of science in business administration degrees with a major in accounting.

Western New England College is a private, coeducational institution serving more than 6500 full-time and part-time students each year with undergraduate and graduate programs in Schools of Arts & Sciences, Business, Engineering and Law.



LENA KOZLOSKI

Lena Kozloski Earns Bachelor Of Arts From BC

Lena Kozloski, daughter of Henry and Teresa Kozloski of 102 Meadow Street, Agawam, was awarded a Bachelor of Arts degree magna cum laude with a major in economics at the 112th commencement of Boston College on May 23rd. More than 2,000 graduates received degrees.

Lena is a 1984 graduate of Agawam High School. Presently she is a graduate student at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in the School of Architecture.

Bolduc, Rocha Receive HCC Nursing Pins

Forty area nursing students from Holyoke Community College participated in the college's annual pinning ceremony, Friday evening, June 3rd, in the HCC Forum.

According to Janet Courtney, director of nursing at the college, the pinning ceremony is a longtime tradition which symbolizes the nurse's dedication to the health field and graduation from an academic program.

The HCC nursing pin depicts the symbol for hope, strength, and courage in conjunction with the nurse-patient relationship. It bears the institution's colors of green and white with the name Holyoke Community College inscribed along the edge, identifying the nurse as a graduate of HCC's associate degree nursing program.

Several awards were presented during the evening to outstanding nursing students including: The Kay Scully Award for General Excellence, presented to Joan M. Chmura of Springfield; Excellence in Clinical Nursing—LPN, presented to Sandra Paquette of South Hadley; Excellence in Clinical Nursing, presented to Alice Stoops of Westfield; the Providence Hospital Professional Nurse Award, presented to Carol Corriveau of Chicopee; and the Nurse Faculty Award for Excellence in Nursing by a First Year Student, presented to Pamela Behrens of Northampton and Sandra Lebeau of Granby.

Among the graduating nurses who were pinned during the special ceremony are:

From Agawam: **Debra Bolduc** of 89 Elm Street, and **Paula Rocha** of 49 Riviera Drive.

Agawam Residents Honored At STCC Ceremony

Springfield Technical Community College President Andrew M. Scibelli announced that several STCC students from Agawam and Feeding Hills were recognized at the College's annual Honors Convocation ceremony. The event is held to recognize outstanding students who are the recipients of awards and scholarships.

Allan Hutchinson of Agawam received the Medical Laboratory Technician Department award. Theresa M. Benjamin of Feeding Hills is the 1988 recipient of the Adult Education award, presented by the Division of Continuing Education at STCC. Rosemarie Meranda of Feeding Hills has been named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

Karen Pfau Turmel Earns Master's Degree In Education

On May 22nd, Karen Pfau Turmel received her master of education degree from Springfield College. Karen is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. William G. Pfau of 71 Western Drive, Agawam.

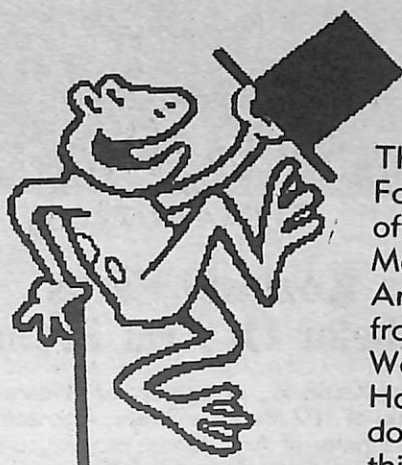
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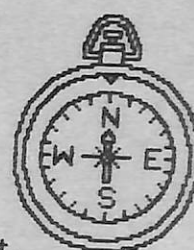
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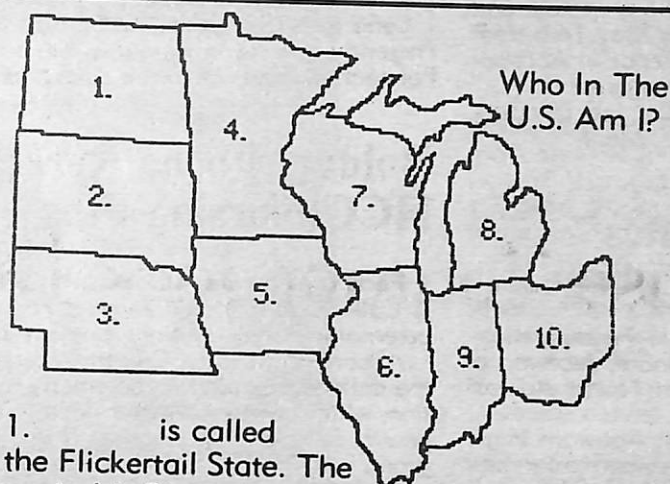


This Sunday is Father's Day. Summer officially starts on Monday, at 10:57 p.m. And you are days away from your Summer vacation. Well, it sure did warm up. Have a good weekend and don't forget to do something nice for Dad.

Vocabulary Corner compass

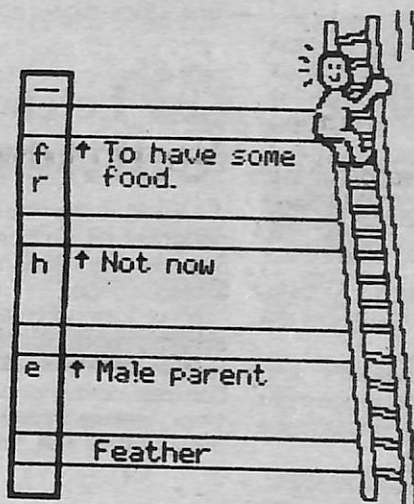


A compass is a device used to determine directions by means of a magnetic needle. The four main directions on a compass are: North, South, East, and West. Can you think of where a compass might be used other than a boat? When might you use a compass?



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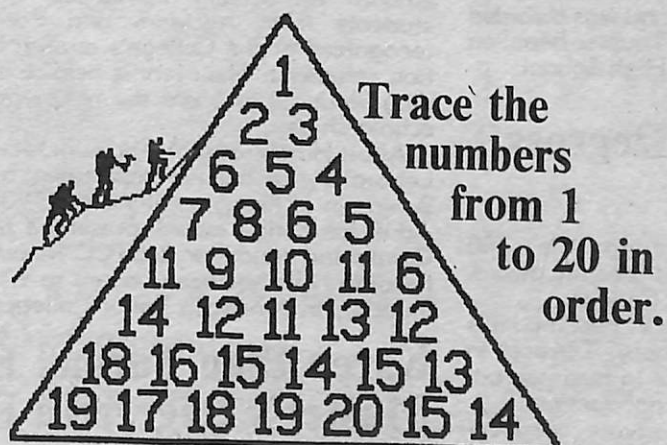
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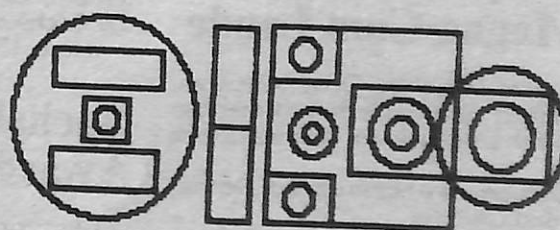
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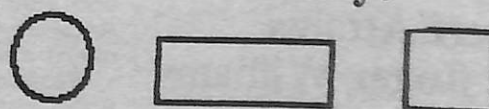
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How Many?





Sports

Agawam's Karen Daborowski Planning For Track Career At U. Of Maryland

by Michael S. Sardella
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Determination - hard work - perseverance - tenacity - dedication - motivation - sheer will.

When describing an athlete such as Karen Daborowski, words such as these usually come to mind. The hard-working 1987 Agawam High graduate has enjoyed a fine career in track at this point, but by no stretch of the imagination is it over yet.

The former AHS sprint star and Suffield Academy standout will be taking her talents to the University of Maryland in the fall. She's extremely enthusiastic about attending a big Division I school, and she's planning to not only enjoy more success in athletics but in her academics as well.

"This is what I've been training for and I'm going to give it my all," says the personable Karen. "I'll be looking to get the most I can out of my experiences. The coaching, as well as the competition should really improve my overall ability."

Karen's career in track began in 1984. As a freshman, she started running for Agawam High in the 400-meter run, a leg on the mile relay team, and threw the discus. It was what you may call a "break in" year.

Coming back as a sophomore, and for a second-year under former AHS track coach Kathy Spellacy, Karen again ran the 400. Soon after, she began running the 200-meter dash and she qualified for the post-season.

At the Valley Wheel Individuals she placed second in the 100-meter dash (13.2). Next up was the Western Mass Meet and she placed a nifty third (13.1). Her WM time was one one-tenth away from qualifying for the State Schoolgirl Meet.

"I think I really surprised some people that year," says Karen. "Those events (100 and 200) became my forte and I began to succeed in them quickly."

The following season as a junior, Karen ran under new coach Dean "Chumley" Vecchiarelli. That same year, Mike LaZazzera, a former three-sport star and current AHS boys' varsity track coach, began working exclusively with the sprinters on both the boys' and girls' track teams. LaZazzera realized Karen had great potential as a sprinter. He began to work with her at each practice to enforce the fundamentals of sprinting in her mind set.

Karen went on to post an undefeated season in the 100-meters. She was used sparingly in the 200 (where she was also undefeated). A late season injury forced her to miss the Valley Wheel Individuals, but she came to the WM Tournament as the top seed in the 100.

Karen finished tied for third (13.1) at the meet, and she teamed with Kim Zielinski, Karen Krone, and Marlo Montesi to take third in the 4 x 100 relay. She recalls that third place finish in the 100 was a bitter pill.

"Finishing third was a real letdown for me," Karen remembers. "I realize now I went into WM too cocky. It was a real learning experience and I vowed to myself to work harder and to not let it happen in my senior year."

During the summer of 1986 Karen worked virtually each day with LaZazzera to improve her skills. "Mike really was great to work with," says Karen. "He is very patient and he knows what hard work really is."

In the fall of 1986, Karen ran with the school's boys' cross country team under former coach Gus Young (now a North Carolina resident). She says the long-distance running helped her endurance and breathing.

Over the winter Karen ran indoors and worked with weights. She went on to finish second in the 55-meter dash (7.5) at the Indoor Track Championships at Smith College.

Coming into the spring track season of 1987 as a senior, Karen was ready to take on Western Mass.

She went on to disappoint no one as she was undefeated again in both the 100 and 200 in the regular season. But the tournaments were still the real proving grounds.

In the Valley Wheel Individuals she blazed to victory in the 100 in 11.6. Then at the Western Mass. Tourna-

ment at Smith College, Karen tied for first in the 200 at 26.2.

Also at Western Mass., Karen teamed with Kim Zielinski, Karen Patterson, and Christina Morassi to take the 4 x 100 relay in 51.7. Karen, who anchored the team, took the baton with a 12-yard deficit but she finished first across the finish line.

"Winning that relay was one of the best memories I have from high school," Karen recalls. "All of us worked so hard for it. To this day I think that was the best I have ever run (in the relay)."

Going in the Schoolgirl State Meet the following week, Karen was seeded 14th. She placed sixth in the 200 (26.6). Next up was the New England Meet at Boston College and Karen was given a 10th seed. She again placed sixth in 26.6 to take a medal.

She was the only AHS track member (boys or girls) to ever placed at the New England Meet.

"One of my goals was to get a medal at the New England. Achieving it was very special to me," she says. "I knew all of the hard work paid off for me at that point."

After a successful track career at AHS, Karen was already planning for the summer - specifically, she was aiming for the Junior Olympics in late July. Making the Junior Olympics was no easy task. But she managed to get by a series of qualifying rounds before getting a berth in the 100 and 200.

So it was off to Provo, Utah, where Brigham Young University is located. Karen traveled with LaZazzera and teammate Judy Pignatara (now at Springfield College), who qualified in the 800-meter run.

Competing against the best in the country, Karen finished 14th overall in the 100 (12.2) and 21st in the 200 (26.1). Not a bad showing at all.

"Going to the Junior Olympics was one of the best experiences I've had in track," says Karen. "I didn't think I performed to my ability, but it was just a real

thrill to be able to compete. Judy (Pignatara - one of Karen's closest friends) and I really had a good time out there."

Less than two months later, Karen was on her way to Suffield Academy, a noted New England prep school.

In the fall of 1987 at Suffield, Karen ran on the cross country team. She went on to finish 55th in New England (among prep schools) in a season-ending 3.1 mile run (among 150 runners).

In the winter she ran indoors with much success. Karen won the 50-yard (6.4) and 330-yard (41.7) races at the New England Prep School Indoor Championships.

And oh what a wonderful spring it was for the former AHS star. Karen went undefeated in both the 100 and 200 meters, and she anchored both of Suffield's girls' relay teams. That's four events every meet. The 4 x 100 relay team was undefeated, so Karen was involved in three unbeaten events for Suffield Academy.

Despite her success in the individual meets, she didn't think she reached her peak. "It was tough for me because I had no one pushing me (she won each race by eight yards or more)," she admits. "It was a little frustrating from the stand-point of improving my times."

Karen has set several lofty goals for herself at the big Division I university. She hopes to break 12.0 seconds in the 100 and also to post a 25.4 or lower in the 200. "I know I can do it. I won't give up until I do."

She also dreams of qualifying for the Olympic Trials in 1992, or maybe the 1996 trials. "But that's still a long way off, but will always be in the back of my mind," she says.

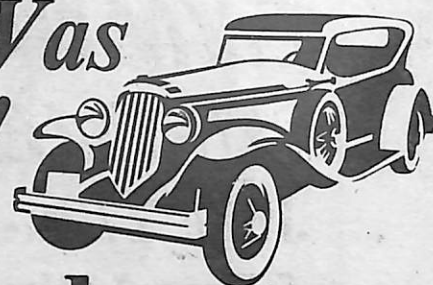
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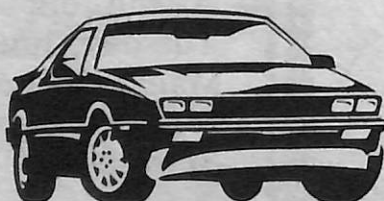
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KAREN DABOROWSKI



KAREN DABOROWSKI of Suffield Academy, a 1987 graduate of Agawam High School, blazes to victory at the New England Prep School Track Meet.

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Following the regular season it was on to the New England Prep School Championships, hosted this year by Suffield. She won the 100 in 12.3 and the 200 in 26.7. She also anchored the 100 relay team to victory in 50.0. Her mile relay team finished fifth.

"Although I didn't have my best times, I was pleased with winning two events," says Karen. "Winning one of the relays was nice, too. It was a nice way to leave Suffield."

Karen was quick to point out that her coach at Suffield, Martha McCullagh, helped-out considerably. "Martha is one of the best coaches I've ever had. She really showed me my potential, and she gave me the determination to go to Maryland. I improved at Suffield and she is definitely one of the reasons why."

As for her upcoming stay at the University of Maryland, Karen says she'll probably be competing in the 100 and 200, as well as one of the relay teams, if not both. "I'll be looking for my times to be dropping in my events. But before that, I'll be giving it my all like I have been for the past few years."

Karen realizes hard work has put her in the position she's now in. She also acknowledges that LaZazzera is as responsible as anyone for giving her the needed confidence and work ethics. Karen says she can never pay back all the time and concern LaZazzera has given her.

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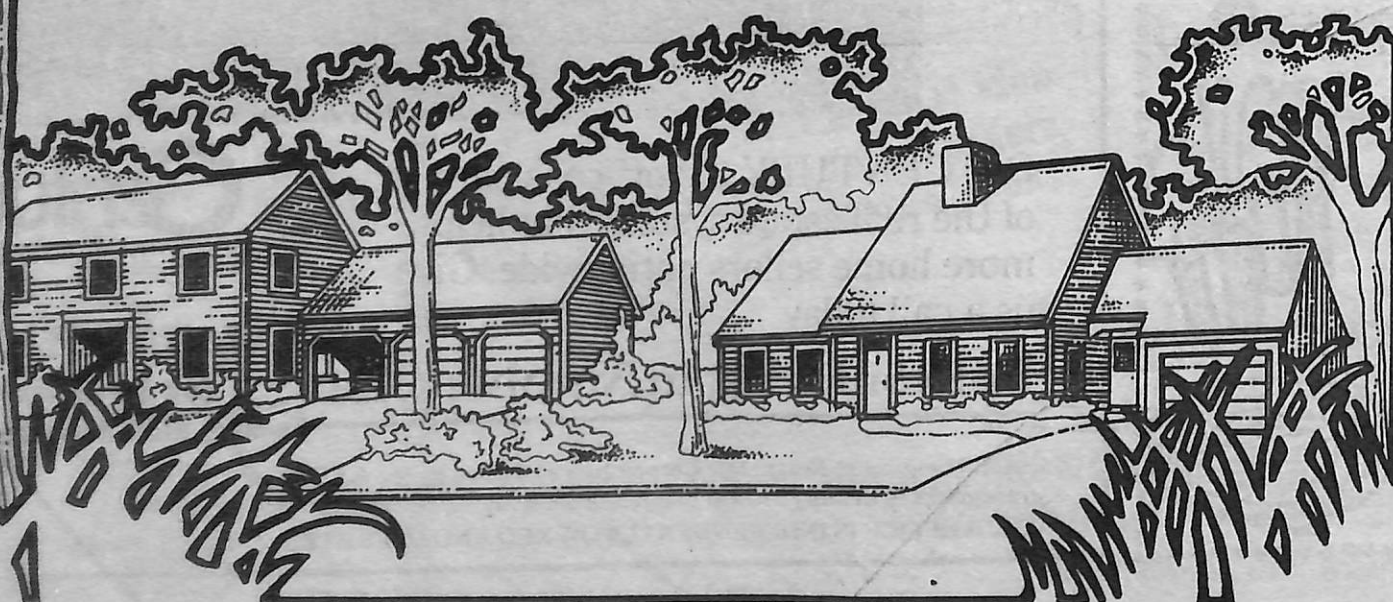
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In Women's Slo-Pitch... Circosta Helps Elbow Take Bears; Scoreboard Stops Southworth, 7-5

by Cathy Landry
Advertiser News Staff

Stepping in for starting pitcher Collette Allan, Dee Circosta scattered three hits over five innings as Elbow Lounge upped its record to an impressive 6-1 following a 15-2 cakewalk over the Bad News Bears. The contest was played Thursday, June 9th, in the Agawam Women's Slo-Pitch Softball League, Division B.

Elbow started off its scoring early and often. They struck for five runs in the first inning. Mary Sliech reached on an error and was brought home when Debbie Doughman homered. Annette Smith followed with a triple, and singles by Karen Ryea, Kim Silcox, Sue Case, and Sharon Hamel accounted for the rest of the first inning scoring.

The Bears got its only two runs in the top of the second when Lisa Meade reached on an error, Dianne Roy walked, and Kelly Vinton picked-up both with a double. The Bears looked to score more but a remarkable triple play stopped them cold right then and there. They never recovered.

In Elbow's half of the second, singles by Sliech, Circosta, and Doughman added two more runs to the tally (7-2). Again in the third, Eileen Rittehotte started the inning with a walk, followed by singles from the bats of Case, Hamel, Sliech, and Circosta. Doughman plated two more with a triple and scored when Silcox singled.

Both teams entered a goose egg in the scoring column in the fourth, but Elbow finished-off game scoring with two runs on singles by Circosta and Doughman.

In other Division B action June 9th, two of the stronger teams in the league battled. When the smoke cleared, Scoreboard Lounge crept past Southworth Paper Company, 7-5.

Scoreboard jumped-out to an early lead when Karen Damon walked and Dianne Rivard, Marsha Nomakeo, and Dodie Holmes all singled to score two runs. In the second, singles by Kate Warner, Mary Doddy, and a homer by Cheryl Alessi brought in three more runs.

Southworth got on the board in the third inning when Maggie Valentine picked-up Holly Rexol (single) with her own single. Scoreboard brought the lead to 6-1 in the fourth with a solo homer from Warner. In the fifth frame, they added another with a Holmes single and an RBI sacrifice by Lori Placanico.

Singles by Marilyn Thomlinson, Dianne Provo, and a triple by Eileen Murphy, who was plated on a sacrifice fly by Mo Rose, started a late inning rally for Southworth. Southworth managed to score three times but it was not enough to stop Scoreboard Lounge on this night.



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In Men's Slo-Pitch Softball... Gino's Overtakes Buc Lounge For 7-5 Win; Antonio's Grabs Big Win Over Parrotta's

by Cathy Landry
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Gino's Package Store raised its record to 8-5 in the B Division-National of the Agawam Men's Slo-Pitch Softball league with a solid 7-5 victory over Buccaneer Lounge earlier this week.

Gino's opened the scoring in the second inning on singles by Bob Spano and Greg Pytko. Ray Rossi followed with a sacrifice fly to give Gino's a 1-0 edge.

In the third, Gino's rallied again with four runs on hits by Jay Mercadante (double), Tim Desmond (single), Joe Spano (double), Bob Spano (sacrifice fly), Pytko (double), and Chris Ponner (single).

A double by Desmond and singles by Pytko and Ponner brought in Gino's fifth run. Gino's got its final run in the seventh on singles by Bob Spano, Pytko, and Ponner, who also picked-up the win on the mound.

George Temple and Paul Lomelin each had two hits for the Bucs while Bobby Cardwell, Al Carmel, and Mike Schwein each added to the Bucs offense.

Each team had a 10-game winning streak on the line. Antonio's Pizza and Grinders stood with a record of 12-1 while Parrotta's Auto Service held on to a 12-3 mark.

In the end, holding-off a late inning Parrotta's rally, Antonio's left the field on a scoring Tuesday night,

June 14th, with an 11-game win streak intact and an 8-5 victory.

Antonio's and Parrotta's played it close through three innings. Each scored two runs in the first. Antonio's picked-up its runs on a two-run homer by Tom Goodwin (scoring Paul Chmura).

Parrotta's got its runs on lead-off singles by Steve Moge and Jim Maloney, a sacrifice fly by Tom McGowan, and an RBI single off the bat of Craig Plante.

In the third frame, Antonio's broke it open when Goodwin tripled, Frank Caruso singled, Mark Siciliano tripled, and Scott Weaver singled. Four runs in all scored in the big uprising.

Player-coach Gary Coppola tripled in the fifth and was plated on a single by Greg Vatrano. Again in the sixth, a Weaver double scored Siciliano to bring the lead to 8-3.

Parrotta's put forth a strong surge in the bottom of the sixth to score two runs. Moge singled, McGowan doubled, and Plante launched a triple.

Gary "Pops" Poulin picked up the win on the hill for Antonio's. The tandem of Vatrano and Chris Camerlin accounted for two double plays for the winners.

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"Hole-In-One" Rheault Schinelli Renal Golf Tourney Being Planned



TOWN COUNCIL PRESIDENT DONALD RHEAULT joined an elite group of golfers - he launched his first-ever "hole-in-one, Monday, June 13th, at Agawam Country Club in Feeding Hills. Rheault used a 7-iron on the par 3 15th hole (155 yards). Witnessing the big event were local linksters Kirby Gearing, Don Tangredi, and Dave Lyne. Rheault could not promise us when his next hole-in-one would come, and would not comment on reports that U.S. Open officials in Brookline were considering him as a late entry for the national championship.

Bud Light Softball Coming August 6th-7th

It's time to register for the Bud Light-Easter Seal Softball Marathon, to be held in West Springfield, August 6th and 7th. Games are open to any team ready to play softball for the benefit of local people with disabilities. Locally co-sponsoring this event at the Big E is 56 WHYN Radio.

Each team entering the Marathon receives a game trophy and a chance to win prizes ranging from t-shirts to athletic bags to Red Sox tickets. The grand prize is personalized sweat suits for teams raising \$5,000 or more.

Proceeds from the Bud Light-Easter Seal Softball Marathon help bring Easter Seal services to children and adults with disabilities throughout Massachusetts. Services include swim programs, summer camp, equipment loan, stroke support groups, physical and occupational therapy, speech therapy, home health care, and information and referral service.

Any business or group can register a team for the Softball Marathon. Call the Easter Seal Softball Hotline, 1-800-922-8290, or 734-6434 for information.

On July 22nd, the 6th Annual Golf Tournament will be held at Shaker Farms Country Club to raise money for the L. John Schinelli Renal Assistance Fund. This fund was established to honor John even though he never did benefit from it other than to know it would help people afflicted with kidney failure.

Support for this event is appreciated as members of the Governing Committee contact firms and individuals for their participation. The honorary chairman, Joseph Scibelli, is well known in the sports world as a great player in the National Football League.

On a preliminary basis, we have 18 tees sold and hope to sell the greens, too, with your help. Even though the tournament is a month away, over 50

golfers are already signed-up. The number of participants will be limited. The cut-off date is July 15th.

And why not? The cause is a worthy one. The golfers' fee is only \$35 including cart, lunch, many prizes, and hors d'oeuvres.

Please sign in by 8:15 a.m. Continental breakfast will be provided after you sign in.

A 9:00 a.m. shot-gun start is scheduled. Prizes will be awarded for gross and net with a bonafide handicap card or callaway. Plan to join! Get a foursome together!

Contact Jack or Joan Williams, 786-7094, the co-chairmen of the event; Tom Foley, 787-9108, or John Mercadante, 787-9428, at Western Mass. Electric Company.

Agawam Attackers To Compete In Hersey

The Agawam Attackers soccer team, an under 14 girls team who belong to the United States Soccer Federation, will compete in the Hershey's Chocolate Kicks Soccer Tournament held June 24th-26th.

The Attackers, who won the Riverside Soccer Classic and the Windsor Columbus Day Tournaments, will be rivaling against the Manchester (Connecticut) Stunners, the Springfield (Virginia) Stampede, and St. Bede's (Pennsylvania) in the preliminary round of play.

Those qualifying for the finals on Sunday, June 26th, will be vying for the Reese's Cub Trophy at the Hersheypark Stadium. The tournament is hosted by the Central Pennsylvania Youth Soccer League, and is sponsored by Hershey Foods Corporation. CPYSL donates tournament proceeds to United Cerebral Palsy to help children with disabilities. The event continues to promote interest in youth soccer, and provides young players a great competition.

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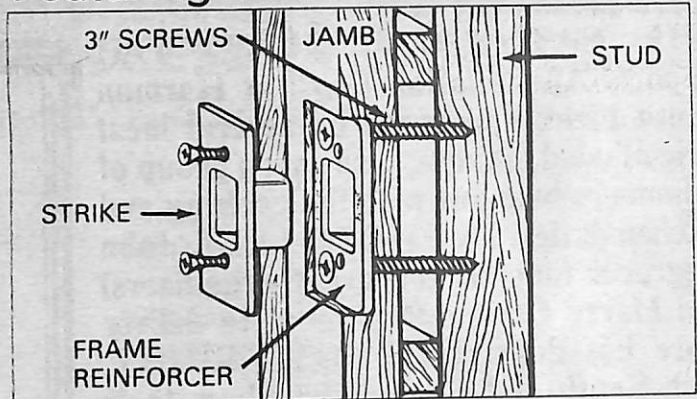
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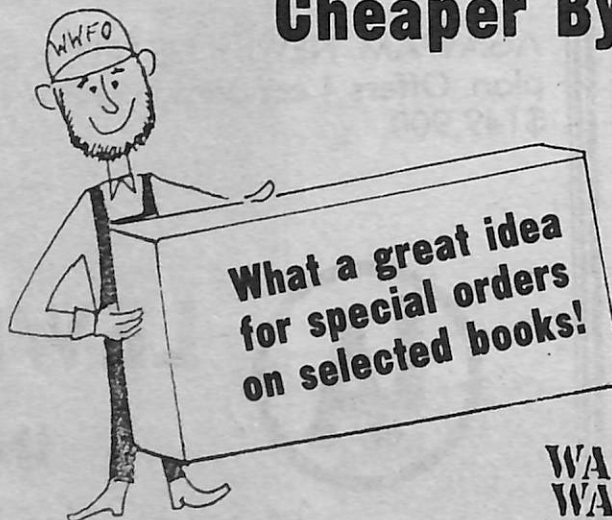
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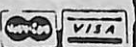


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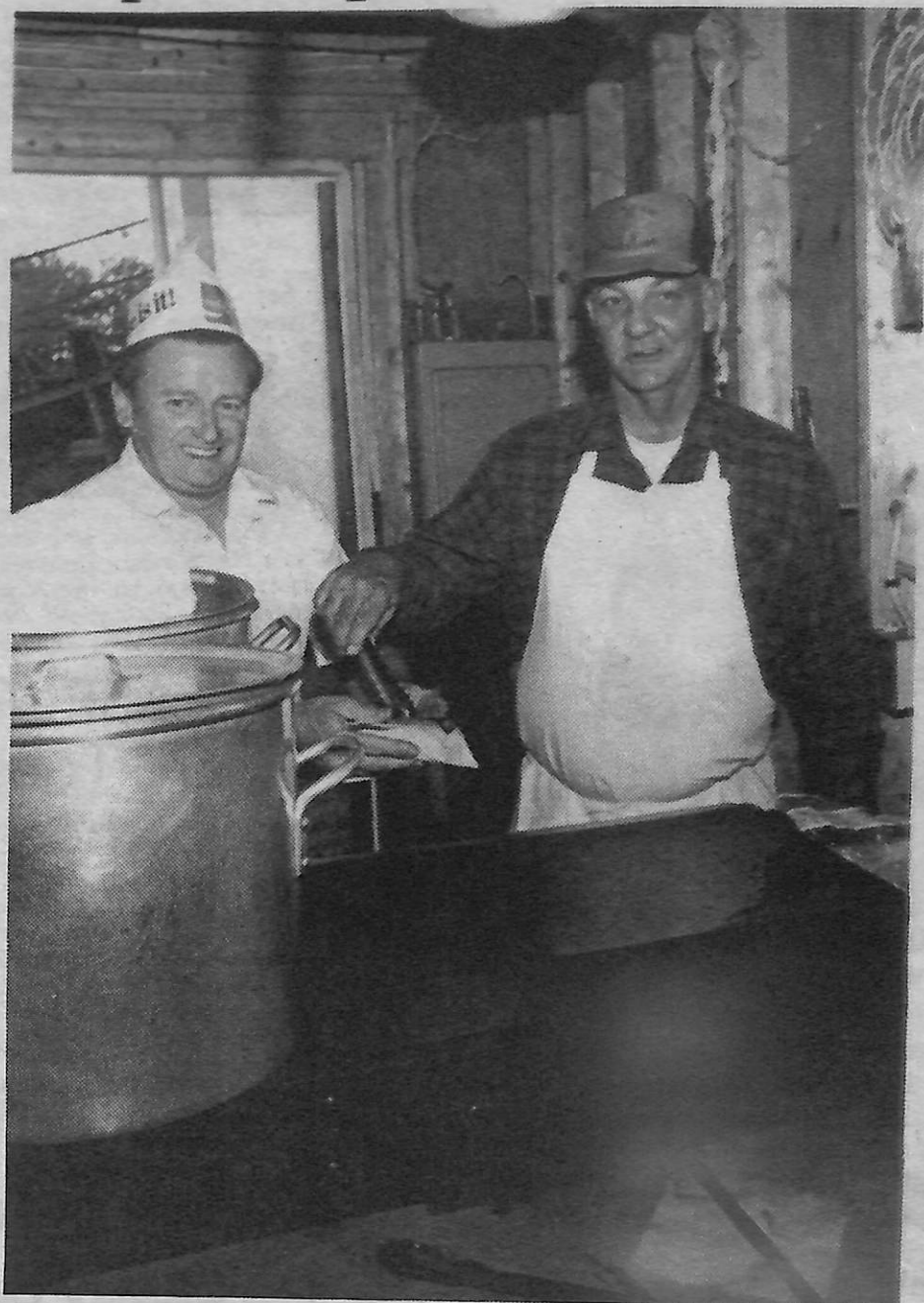


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Antonio's Grinders	11	1	Elbow Lounge	7	2
Parrotta's Service	11	3	American Legion 185	7	5
Agawam Polish Club	10	4	Kellies Loft	6	3
T.J. Sporthouse	9	3	Southworth Paper Co.	6	5
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Four Modified Asso. Coming To Riverside

The Pro Four Modified Association has selected Riverside Park Speedway for perhaps its biggest Race Day and Pay-Day for 25-laps (\$1,000 to win Budweiser Clash), on Saturday, June 25th.

The Budweiser Clash will consist of event winners from the 1987 and the 1988 season. Twelve drivers will compete in Pro Four Modifieds for this "winner take all" event. Still, the best news is this event will have both NASCAR Modified Tour drivers as well as the Pro Four Modified Champions.

Drivers that are guaranteed starters in this event include last year's winningest driver on the NASCAR Winston Modified Tour, Reggie Ruggiero. Ruggiero qualifies by his win at New Smyrna during the World Series in February.

The next Clash contender is Jeff Fuller, among the fastest Modified Tour regulars. He won over eight races in 1987 at New Smyrna and was the series champion. Jeff is awesome in the Pro Four Modified. The third Pro Four driver is another tour regular, Rick Fuller, who just qualified for this by winning at Jennerstown.

The next group of Clash drivers are the veterans that know this track and the bull-rings better than most. They have learned to drive on the old Westbors,

Seekons, Riverside's and tracks of this type. Among these star drivers are Leo "The Lion" Cleary. Cleary won his qualified spot at Thompson. Next is a former Modified driver and champion, George Savery. Savery is another key driver that once was a regular at the park. The third in this group is Dave Lind. Lind has driven all types of cars but has won several events in the Pro Four.

Dan Masservey, the man that has campaigned with the cars since this type of racing originated, will perhaps be the toughest to beat. Dan was one of the people in support of the Clash being run at Riverside. Others include former Riverside regular Dick Houlihan, Bill Shulz, Scott Provost, Drew Fornoro (another legend), and of course, Robbie Clark, the 1987 Pro Four Champion.

For the fans it will be an extra special night. This special event will be one of the best deals around—the NASCAR Modifieds for 50 laps, Pro Stocks for 30 laps, and Streets for 25 laps, plus 2,000 free race hats and the over 20 race events plus the Pro Four Budweiser Clash. It's all family priced at just \$8.99 with kids at \$3.

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Father's Day Drivers/Owners Picnic June 19th

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This function is designed to say thank-you to the competitors and fans of Riverside Park Speedway's NASCAR Winston Auto Racing. It allows the owner and the driver to come as a free guest to the Riverside, Sunday, June 19th, to a free family outing in New England's largest and finest amusement park and grove.

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Dodge's championship team, the Riverside Ball-Busters, will be looking for its third title with Lori Godin as the female captain. It's a great time for all.

Still, the best news of all is this racers' picnic is on Father's Day so, Dad and the family can get together for a great day at the park. It's the best of two worlds. The owners and the drivers will receive free tickets, with tickets available for the race fans and pit crews this Saturday night at the Novelty Booth. A donation of \$9 gets you into the park and The Grove for the picnic. Everyone is welcome so don't be left out of the excitement.

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by Bill Chiba

The Turkey harvest this spring has been on the heavy side in all the New England states. Connecticut is no different from its sister states. The kill broke all previous records. The number of hunters also increased. Permits issued for 1988 spring season totaled 2,101, which represents a 35 percent increase over last year when 1,557 permits were issued.

The total 1988 take of male birds represented a seven percent increase over the previous kill of 298 set in 1987. Two hundred and sixty-one Turkeys came from private land; the remaining 57 came from state land, and one-third of these were from non-lottery zones.

The hottest part of the state was the northwestern section. Seventy percent of the birds came from there. The largest bird taken also broke a state record. A 24.1 pound bird was taken on opening day in Sharon. The longstanding record for live weight of 23 pounds was set in 1981. The average live weight of adult gobblers was 18.7 pounds, and the average live weight of jakes was 14.0 pounds.

Barbara Gagnon for many years has been a devoted secretary of the Agawam Revolver Club. She could be

counted on to handle the refreshments at the many club matches, not as a duty of the secretary, but a volunteer activity that all the club members appreciated. Barbara very efficiently handled all the little things. She is going to be missed in the future. Barbara has been hospitalized.

In appreciation for the many years Barbara kept the "ship" on even keel, and the many hours devoted to her job, the club is holding on June 19th a First Place Trophy "Falling Plate Shoot" with three classes—Auto, Revolver, and Open in the center fire competition. The club is located off Route 57, Southwick. Registration will open at 10:00 a.m., and shooting will begin at 11:00 a.m. Don Loncto and Clyde Light will be co-chairmen of the event.

Ground fishing is very productive this year. Reports of good catches of flounder, crabs, and lobsters at Quincy, Nantasket, and other shore line bays are coming in regularly.

Moe & Larry Soffen of Agawam (over the weekend) creelied, by hand lining, a 44 large flounder, 14 crabs, and one three-pound lobster off of Hull, Massachusetts. They were fishing in just 20 feet of water. Moe said that the flounder were nice and thick across the back. It's real nice fish to eat, he says. I agree.

Goose Pond has broken loose giving up some nice limits of large trout. Otis is still producing large two to three pound trout, and Big Benton has slackened-off. Sam Provo and his buddy took only one trout the other day. Billy Sliech (Sergeant on the Agawam Police Force) and companion fished the same day that Sam did and fared likewise.

Recreation Department To Offer Youth Swim Lessons

Registration for youth swim lessons is being held daily 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., at the Agawam Parks/Recreation Office, located at the Agawam High School, lower driveway, rear entrance.

This learn to swim program is for Agawam youths age four and older. Your child must be able to change his/her clothes. No females will be allowed in the male locker room as no males will be allowed in the female locker room. Release forms must be signed by a parent or guardian.

Session: July 12th through August 13th.

Time: Tuesday and Saturday morning, 10:00 to 10:45 a.m., or 11:00 to 11:45 a.m.

Program Fee: \$10 per child (no refunds).

Instructors: Pool Staff.

Classes are limited to 25 per class on a first come, first served basis.

Springfield Tennis Club Has Three Social Mixers Planned

The first of three social mixers, sponsored by Springfield Tennis Club, will be held on the newly-reconditioned clay courts at Forest Park Tennis Center, Saturday, June 18th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. No advance registration is required, and there's no charge for members of the Club (club membership applications are available at Forest Park tennis house). Non-members' fee is \$3. Refreshments will be offered for a nominal fee.

Springfield Tennis Club also announces the Clem Easton Super Seniors tournament, formerly played at Westwick, will be held on Forest Park's clay courts June 24th to 26th for age levels 60, 65, 70, 75, and 80. Competitors come from as far away as California! Entry fee is \$12 for singles, \$16 for doubles. Interested players should contact Bob Allen, 533-3860 or 588-8676.

Agawam Education Association Plannig Big Golf Tourney

The Agawam Education Association (A.E.A.) will hold a benefit Golf Outing, Monday, June 27th, at Shaker Farms Country Club, Westfield.

Proceeds from this event will go to the Christopher Kinsella Memorial Fund, Tim Sunstrom Memorial Fund, and A.E.A. Scholarship Fund.

The \$45 fee will include greens fees, golf cart, and a buffet luncheon at the country club. There will be a raffle, gross and net score prizes, and prizes for nearest to the pin.

Shotgun start is 10:00 a.m., Monday, June 27th. For reservations, call 786-7020 after 7:00 p.m., or send your name, address and telephone number to Agawam Education Association, P.O. Box 638, Agawam, MA, 01001.

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Summertime Tips For Using Your Trailer From Ford

"If you are about to be passed while towing a trailer, try to hold a straight course," advises Jerome J. Mittman, Ford Division's recreation vehicle sales manager. "Extreme changes in steering can cause your trailer to fishtail, sometimes so severely you might lose control."

To minimize trailer sway caused by the air displaced by a passing vehicle, Mr. Mittman advises edging over in your lane as far as practical to increase the space between your rig and the passing vehicle.

Among Mr. Mittman's steering tips for trailer towing is a recommendation to make extra-wide turns to accommodate the turning radius of the trailer.

Because the trailer's wheels will be closer to the inside of the turn than those of the towing vehicle, compensate by avoiding soft shoulders and driving beyond the normal turning point before starting to turn.

Other trailer towing tips include:

- In order to maintain a safe distance behind a vehicle you are following when you tow a trailer, allow the distance of at least one length of your trailer and tow vehicle combined for each 10 miles an hour of speed. Avoid high speeds and sudden stops that might cause erratic trailer tracking or fishtailing.

- When passing another vehicle on the road, always signal well in advance and allow extra distance to compensate for the reduced performance with a loaded trailer. Also be sure you have ample clearance ahead of the other vehicle before you return to the driving lane.

- When climbing an uphill grade while towing a trailer, shift to a lower transmission gear to help reduce strain and possible overheating on your engine.

If your engine should overheat, pull off the road and run the engine at fast idle; do not shut it off. Turn off the air conditioning, if you've been using it. When engine temperature returns to normal, proceed up the grade in a lower gear.

- Treat steep downhill grades (over four percent) with caution. Slow to 20 miles an hour or less as you approach the crest of the grade, and shift to first (low) gear to provide engine braking, and help reduce overheating and wear on your brakes.

Keep your rig under 25 miles an hour by periodic, simultaneous application of the brakes on both the tow vehicle and

the trailer for a second or two as necessary. Avoid prolonged brake application to prevent heat buildup that can cause a loss of braking effectiveness.

Downgrades of less than four percent can be handled by downshifting to second gear and keeping your speed below 45 miles an hour on straightaways.

- When towing a trailer equipped with brakes in good condition, your stopping distance should be about the same as that of the tow vehicle alone.

But if your trailer is not equipped with brakes—as is the case with some light trailers—allow more time and distance

for stopping. Brake smoothly and gradually to maximize control and minimize tilt and sway.

"For easier steering when backing your trailer, place your hand so it grips the bottom of the steering wheel," Mr. Mittman advises inexperienced trailerists.

"Move your hand to the right to turn your trailer to the right...and to the left to turn the trailer in that direction. Always back slowly and make steering changes gradually to avoid overcorrecting."

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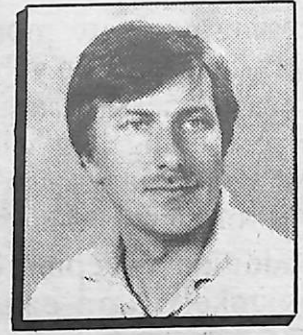
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Bill Chiba's Advice For Inexperienced RV Users

Equipping and provisioning a recreation vehicle for outdoor fun on wheels can pose problems for the inexperienced RV user.

Maximizing limited space

With space at a premium in most RVs, the key to planning a successful camping trip is simplicity. Clothing needs are minimal. Wash-and-wear clothes are a must.

A light windbreaker and a poncho or lightweight raincoat are useful. Tennis shoes, hiking shoes or boots, swimwear and sleepwear should round out the wardrobe.

Generally, two basic outfits, with an extra change of socks and a top for each family member, will be enough for a two-day or three-day weekend camp-out.

For longer outings, you need only enough clothing for four or five days. If necessary, one dress-up outfit for each person can be stored in a garment bag to prevent soiling.

Use a duffel bag or a laundry bag for soiled clothing. Most modern campgrounds have coin-operated laundromats where a one-hour "wash break" will provide the freshening up for another few days on the road.

Leave suitcases at home. They are heavy and require more space than hanging clothes in closets or storing them in the drawers and bins of a modern RV. And on rough roads, suitcases can rattle and bang into interior walls, leaving scuff marks and creating a general nuisance.

An exception might be necessary if you were using a very small pop-up camping trailer and needed to store clothing in your tow vehicle.

Sleeping bags are more efficient than blankets in recreation vehicles that do not have easy-access permanent beds. One modern sleeping bag will do the job of several wool blankets for chilly nights, yet will roll up and pack in less space.

In addition, sleeping bags are lighter than blankets, and campers—particu-

larly young ones—can make beds more quickly with them.

Sleeping bags that are machine-washable or have snap-in liners are preferable. Three-pound polyester-filled sleeping bags will be warm enough in most camping vehicles; a four-pound bag should be used in tents or pop-up campers. Whatever bag you use, it should be pre-shrunk and colorfast.

Store easily-damaged items such as cameras, expensive pottery or hobby materials ahead of the wheels of a towed RV—or ahead of the rear wheels of a

self-propelled RV such as a motorhome.

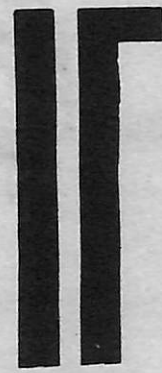
The farther behind the axle these items are placed, the more shaking they generally will receive. There are fewer internal vibrations forward.

How to pack

Utensils and housekeeping equipment should be kept simple. It is advisable to pack inexpensive dishes or paper plates, plastic "silverware," a minimum of flatware and cooking utensils, and only a few bowls, platters, pots and pans.

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Other items to remember are a dish-pan, insulated cups and glasses, covered serving dishes, a foam cooler and a thermal water jug with a spigot.

Bringing prepared food from home for weekend outings or for the first few meals on longer camping vacations is advisable. Extra portions or even leftovers of one-dish meals such as casseroles served at home can be frozen in a coffee can or foil container for quick camping meals. Boiled potatoes and hard-boiled


eggs brought from home also speed up meal preparations.

Packaged foods such as chili, spaghetti sauce, beef stew mix, salad dressing, gravy and beverage mixes are both time and space savers.

Miscellaneous items

Miscellaneous items to remember are toilet tissue, paper towels, heavy-duty foil, liquid detergent, matches and towels. A compact carpet sweeper or a

broom and dust pan, indoor and outdoor clothesline, and bags for trash may come in handy.

Keeping children occupied on rainy days is important to camping enjoyment for all. Fill a box for each child with items such as compact-sized coloring books, colored pencils, games and small puzzles. An inexpensive portable television also can help to while away the indoor hours. 

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Bill Chiba's Facts N' Figures About GUNS!!!

Guns have changed a great deal since the days of Daniel Boone and Davy Crockett. So have gun cases. No longer do hunters slide "Old Bess" into a deer-skin sleeve to protect it from the elements.

The purpose of a gun case is to protect the firearm from physical damage caused by being bumped and banged around when not in use. It also must try to protect firearms from that invisible foe—moisture damage, commonly seen as rust or pitting.

Gun cases have gone through a number of changes to get to the high-tech state they are now in.

Early gun cases

First came the simple sleeve of animal hide which offered some protection. During the days of the westward expansion, many settlers used only a simple canvas or cloth sleeve to protect their firearms, if they bothered with protection at all.

These early cases did protect the fin-

ish from surface damage or scratches from light jostling, but did little to guard against moisture damage or hard knocks.

In the 19th and early 20th centuries, cases made with a canvas duck cover and some type of a padded flannel lining were popular.

Even though these protected the firearm from harder knocks, the lining materials still got caught on the muzzle and breech, necessitating additional effort to get the lint out of the gun's working parts.

And, as many hunters found out, flannel and other cotton-based linings were hygroscopic: They absorbed moisture out of the air and held it next to the gun.

Many old-timers will remember having to use steel wool on their guns to remove the rust, and then getting their

favorite shotgun or rifle re-blued, to help prevent rusting again, after the gun spent the winter in the basement. This process repeated itself every few years.

It's not as if, without a case, guns would go to rust and fall apart completely; however, many gun owners take the "care and feeding" of their favorite gun very personally.

They want to do the best they can to make sure their gun looks as good as it did the day they bought it—if not better.

There's no question that firearms will continue to improve as new technology develops; only time will tell if gun cases can be made that will be any better than those currently available.

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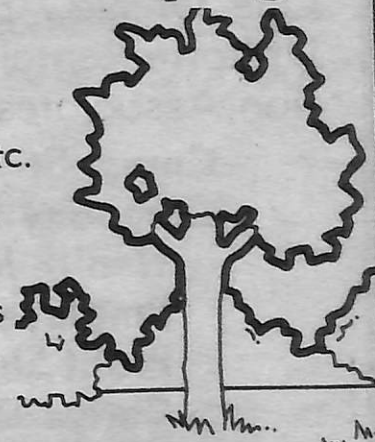
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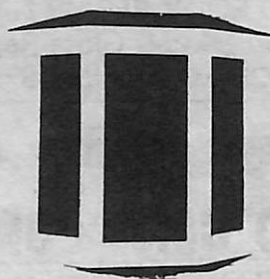
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